

**OSSIPEE BUDGET COMMITTEE  
MEETING MINUTES  
November 15, 2017**

Minutes recorded by and transcribed by Laura Nash, Budget Committee Recording Secretary, amendments are noted by ***bold/italic*** type.

**Call to Order:** Chairman, Joe Goss called the meeting to order at 6:35 PM.

**Attendance by Roll Call:** – Joe Goss-Chairman, Steve Mosier, Donna Gridley, Marie McConarty, Lynn Parker, Louise Sutherland, and Rick Morgan-Selectmen's Rep.

**Absent:** Kathleen Maloney, Jonathan Smith, and Ellen White, Town Administrator.

**Meeting Minutes:** the Meeting Minutes from 11/09/2017 were reviewed.

A **Motion** by D. Gridley to approve the minutes of 11/09/2017 Budget Committee meeting as presented. L. Parker seconded. No discussion. A unanimous vote was taken.

**New Business:**

**2018 Proposed Budget Reviews:**

**Caregivers of So. Carroll County:** The 2018 proposed budget is \$2,500.00

Phil Wasmuth presented the proposed budget of \$2,500.00 which is level funded from last year. The non-profit organization provides short-term, non-emergency volunteer services, that includes local and out of town door to door transportation for medical treatment & health services. Also, looking for more volunteers. (Board of Selectmen recommended). No discussion.

A **Motion** by M. McConarty to approve the 2018 proposed budget of \$2,500.00. S. Mosier seconded. No discussion. A unanimous vote was taken.

**Central NH VNA & Hospice:** The 2018 proposed budget is \$14,000.00

David Emberley, Chief Financial Officer presented the proposed budget of \$14,000 which is level funded from last year. Central NH VNA & Hospice has been serving the residents of Ossipee for many years. In addition to pediatric services, home health and hospice services, they also offer blood pressure clinics and bereavement support. (Board of Selectmen recommended). No discussion.

A **Motion** by D. Gridley to approve the 2018 proposed budget of \$14,000.00. L. Parker seconded. No further discussion. A unanimous vote was taken.

**End 68 Hours of Hunger, Wolfeboro, Tuftonboro, & Ossipee:** The 2018 proposed budget is \$5,000.00.

Sally Humer, Director of End 68 Hours of Hunger for Wolfeboro, Tuftonboro and Ossipee presented the proposed budget of \$5,000.00 which is level funded from last year. End 68 Hours of Hunger provides food to feed children in Wolfeboro, Tuftonboro, Ossipee, Middleton, Ossipee Head Start and Wolfeboro Children's Center, that are identified by the GWRSD as having little or nothing to eat over the weekend. Children receive a food bag with food for 3 dinners, 2 lunches, 2 breakfasts and snacks. (Board of Selectmen recommended). No discussion.

A **Motion** by M. McConarty to approve the 2018 proposed budget of \$5,000.00 for End 68 Hours of Hunger. S. Mosier seconded. No further discussion. A unanimous vote was taken.

**Kingswood Youth Center:** The 2018 proposed budget is \$5,000.00

Zachary Porter presented the proposed budget of \$5,000.00 which is level funded from last year. Kingswood Youth Center provides a safe, supervised environment for youths to engage in educational, recreational and community enrichment programs for middle and high schoolers during the “after school and out of school” hours. These services are provided to all 7 towns within the Governor Wentworth School District. (Board of Selectmen recommended).

Discussion: Morgan questioned the value other towns are contributing compared to Ossipee and is it based on population. Several questions were raised concerning the ratio and distribution of the funds in coordination to services directly to the students.

A **Motion** by M. McConarty to approve the 2018 proposed budget of \$5,000.00 for Kingswood Youth Center. L. Sutherland seconded. No further discussion. A unanimous vote was taken.

**L.I.F.E. Ministries Food Pantry:** The 2018 proposed budget is \$6,000.00

Kent Cromwell presented the proposed budget of \$6,000.00 which is level funded from last year. L.I.F.E. Ministries Food Pantry established 1985, has provided and distributed food and personal hygiene products to qualified low income local residents weekly. Their goal is to provide every person in a family with 3 meals per day for 3 days per week, (9 meals per person each week). (Board of Selectmen recommended).

A **Motion** by L. Parker to approve the 2018 proposed budget of \$6,000.00 for L.I.F.E. Ministries Food Pantry. D. Gridley seconded. No further discussion. A unanimous vote was taken.

**Ossipee Children's Fund:** The 2018 proposed budget is \$20,000.00

Jane Podsen presented the proposed budget of \$20,000.00 which is level funded from last year. The Ossipee Children's Fund provides financial assistance to programs of childcare, recreation, education, and enrichment for low income families in the towns of Ossipee, Effingham, Freedom, and Madison. OCF believes that children of working parents should be assured a secure environment in which to grow, learn and play. (Board of Selectmen recommended). No Discussion.

A **Motion** by M. McConarty to approve the 2018 proposed budget of \$20,000.00 for Ossipee Children's Fund. L. Parker seconded. No further discussion. A unanimous vote was taken.

**Ossipee Concerned Citizens, Inc.:** The 2018 proposed budget is \$20,000.00

Donna Sargent presented the proposed budget of \$20,000.00 which is level funded from last year. OCC – Elderly Nutrition Programs serves 7 towns and provides services and meals to senior residents which allows them to maintain a healthy lifestyle whether in an apartment or their own home. (Board of Selectmen recommended).

Discussion: Morgan recommends that OCC start increasing their budget in order to start repairs on the building to include serious drainage issues, electrical and other repairs.

A **Motion** by L. Parker to approve the 2018 proposed budget of \$20,000.00 for Ossipee Concerned Citizens, Inc. – Elderly Nutrition Programs. L. Sutherland seconded. No further discussion. A unanimous vote was taken.

**Ossipee Concerned Citizens, Inc. – Day Care:** The 2018 proposed budget is \$7,000.00

Donna Sargent presented the proposed budget of \$7,000.00 which is level funded from last year. Funds are used to assist with coverage for clients unable to pay and to off-set operating cost. Services include full day preschool, daycare for ages 13 month – 3 years old, summer programs and before school programs. (Board of Selectmen recommended). No discussion.

A **Motion** by L. Sutherland to approve the 2018 proposed budget of \$7,000.00 for Ossipee Concerned Citizens, Inc. – Day Care. S. Mosier seconded. No further discussion. A unanimous vote was taken.

**Ossipee Revitalization Group: (Ossipee Main Street)** The 2018 proposed budget is \$5,000.00

Pat Jones presented the proposed budget of \$5,000.00 which is level funded from last year. The main goal for Ossipee Main Street is to bring activity into Center Ossipee, fill up some empty buildings, welcome new residents and encourage businesses. Projects have included the gazebo, memorial bricks, commemorative plaques, solar lamp lights, gardens, and rubber ducky race. Ossipee Main Street works with several groups and agencies to revitalize the town, encourage economic growth, and build community spirit. (Board of Selectmen recommended). No Discussion.

A **Motion** by D. Gridley to approve the 2018 proposed budget of \$5,000.00 for Ossipee Revitalization Group: (Ossipee Main Street). S. Mosier seconded. No further discussion. A unanimous vote was taken.

**White Mountain Community Health Center:** The 2018 proposed budget is \$4,360.00.

Ken Porter, Executive Director presented the proposed budget of \$4,360.00 which is increase from last year by \$581.00. WMCHC is a non-profit healthcare entity, offers a sliding fee scale which provides access to healthcare for those who might otherwise be excluded due to financial issues. Town funds help cover operating expenses incurred in providing healthcare services to residents of Ossipee. Patients who have insurance through the Affordable Care Act are assisted with high deductibles. WMCHC will continue to provide healthcare for many patients who have Medicaid coverage, which only reimburses a portion of the cost of their care. (Board of Selectmen recommended). No discussion.

A **Motion** by L. Parker to approve the 2018 proposed budget of \$4,360.00 for White Mountain Community Health Center. L. Sutherland seconded. No further discussion. A unanimous vote was taken.

### **Any Other Business Which May Come Before This Meeting**

A discussion ensued about over-lapping organizations and adding sidewalks to Main Street and Folsom Rd.

### **Upcoming Meetings:**

- Thursday, November 16, 2017 - Budget Committee Meeting - 6:30pm - 7:30pm at Freight House for 2018 Budget Review Schedule.
- Tuesday, November 28, 2017 – Town Hall Meeting on Town Beach – 6:30pm – 7:30pm at the Town Hall.
- Wednesday, November 29, 2017 - Budget Committee Meeting - 6:30pm - 7:30pm at Freight House for 2018 Budget Review Schedule.

### **Adjournment:**

A **Motion** by D. Gridley to adjourn the meeting. M. McConarty seconded. No further discussion. A unanimous vote was taken.

The meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Next Meeting: November 16, 2017 @ 6:30 pm

Minutes approved by majority vote of the Board on –

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Joe Goss, Chairman  
Budget Committee