

## Budget Committee Meeting Minutes

Oct 26, 2016

Meeting called to order at 1832hrs. Present were Joe Goss (Chairman), Julie Rosiak ( V. Chair), Lynne Parker, Marie McConarty, Kathleen Maloney, Donna Gridley and Jonathan Smith. Also present were Ellen White Town Administrator and Frank Riley as the Selectmen representative. There is no one present for the West Ossipee Fire Pct.

Previous meeting minutes from Sept. 7 2016 were reviewed and approved unanimously.

The following budgets were reviewed:

1) Cemeteries: Roy Baron and Rick St Jean presented. The line increase on Fica/Medicare is due to annual salary increase last year that did not account for the tax increase. The new equipment increase is for the need of a new commercial push mower. The maintenance line increase is due to head stone damage from falling tree limbs. The reason for the overage on new equipment YTD is due to the purchase of a new ride on mower and trailer. This was needed due to the addition of two new cemeteries. Roy Baron stated that the mowing efficiency has been greatly increased with the addition of the ride on mower.

Joe questioned if any money comes in through perpetual care. Connie Billing stated zero money is available. A motion was made to approve the budget in the amount of \$36,810 (13.76% increase). Budget passed unanimously.

2) Trustee of trust Funds: Connie Billing present. Frank Riley stated it is a level funded budget. Lynne Parker thanked Connie for doing a great job. A motion was made to approve the budget in the amount of \$ 6289.00. Budget passed unanimously.

3) Conservation agent: Frank Riley presented. The conservation agent oversees and assists landowners with timber cuts. The agents' job is to protect landowners from fraud. This is a 4hr per week position. A motion was made to approve the budget in the amount of \$4306 (33.31% increase). Budget passed unanimously.

4) Board of Selectmen: Frank Riley presented. Level funded budget . A motion was made to approve the budget in the amount of \$ \$16,364.00 Budget passed unanimously.

5) Dam Authority: Ellen White presented. Budget down by .54%. The town share is set by DRA. A motion was made to approve the budget in the amount of \$8126.00 (.54% decrease). Budget passed unanimously.

6) Legal: Frank Riley presented. Level funded budget. YTD expenditures are low but legal issues within the town are pending and the future is unknown. A motion was made to approve the budget in the amount of \$ 35,000.00. Budget passed unanimously.

7) Patriotic Purposes: Frank Riley presented. Level funded budget. This is for material only. All labor is provided for free by Mark Washburn who does a great job. A motion was made to approve the budget in the amount of \$ 2000.00. Budget passed unanimously.

8) Treasury: Harry Merrow not present. Frank Riley presented. Budget is down \$300.00. A motion was made to approve the budget in the amount of \$11,030.00 (2.65% decrease). Budget passed unanimously.

9) General assistance: Frank Riley presented. YTD expenditures are down. This is an unknown and the budget line needs to carry over at the same amount. Lynne Parker had concern that not enough people are getting help. A motion was made to approve the budget in the amount of \$ 55,269.00. Budget passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 1942hrs. Next meeting will be Nov. 2 at 1830hrs at the Freight House.

Jonathan Smith

Recording Clerk