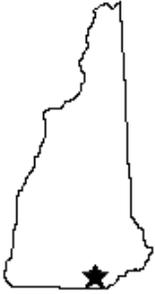


TOWN OF HUDSON

Budget Committee

Shawn Jasper, Chairman · Jonathan Maltz, Vice-Chairman

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Budget Committee Meeting Minutes September 18, 2014

A. Call to Order

Chairman Shawn Jasper called the meeting to order at 7:30pm.

B. Pledge of Allegiance

Stephen Nute led the Pledge of Allegiance.

C. Attendance

Members Present: Chair Shawn Jasper, Vice-Chair Jonathan Maltz, John Drabinowicz, Randy Brownrigg, Joyce Goodwin, Stephen Nute, School Board Liaison Patty Langlais, Selectman Liaison Pat Nichols

Members Absent: Jim Barnes, Malcolm Price, Geoffrey Keegan (excused)

D. Public Input

Ted Trost requested that if documents are to be presented to the Budget Committee, that they also be made available on the Town's website prior to the Budget Committee's meetings. This would allow the public to review them and follow along during the meeting. John Drabinowicz also requested that the agenda get posted prior to the meeting. The chairman will check with the IT director to see if that can be done.

E. Review of school's final year-end financials

School Business Administrator, Karen Burnell, and Superintendent Bryan Lane provided an overview of the school's final year-end financials

F. Discussion regarding proposal for Fire Department work

Selectwoman, Pat Nichols, stated that the BOS requested the Fire Chief to investigate what work would be needed to be done at the Lenny Smith fire station and the possibility of replacing the current fire station at Burns Hill road with a new one on Lowell Road. If the Burns Hill station is replaced, Chairman Shawn Jasper raised concern of a possible impact to the insurance rating thus causing an impact to the residents' insurance cost. Concern was also raised about the possible change in response time to some residences if the station was relocated.

G. Acceptance of Minutes

Randy Brownrigg moved to accept the minutes of August 21, 2014. Joyce Goodwin seconded the motion.

Vote: Motion passed 7 – 0 – 1. Stephen Nute abstained.

H. Other Business Comments

For informational purposes and input from the committee, Chairman Shawn Jasper stated that he has filed a bill in the NH State House to allow towns to borrow against their fund balances (up to 50% and within a 10 year period) as an additional option for towns to handle low cost projects.

I. Adjournment

Chairman Jasper declared the meeting adjourned at 8:31pm.

October 12, 2014

Stephen Nute

Acting Clerk