

Special Board of Selectmen's Meeting Minutes
9:00 a.m., Saturday, January 24, 2009
2nd Floor Conference Room, Town Hall

Budget Meeting - Meeting Minutes - REVISED

In attendance: Laura Francis, John Szewczyk, James McLaughlin, Sherry Hill, Brian Ameche, Harry Hall, Scott Wright, and Maryjane Malavasi. Meeting called to order at 9:06 a.m.

Recreation Department Wages - 5501

Salaries for summer staff are based on 7 weeks at 3 days. Proposal presented to go to 5 day summer program with the addition of a fee to offset additional 2 days a week. The recommendation is to charge \$100 per family to offset a portion of the entire program. J. Szewczyk stated there are other ways the recreation department can raise money instead of charging a fee for children's summer programs. J. McLaughlin does agree with charging fee to offset cost. S. Hill requested they only charge a fee if it is increased to 5 days.

Recreation Department Expenses - 5505

Sherry Hill was in to review Recreation budget.
Summer concerts reduced to one concert based on attendance.
Special program increased - offset by revenue.
Movie removed - maybe get a sponsor.

Conservation Commission - 2020

Brian Ameche was in attendance to review budget. He stated repairs need to be made to barn. He was asked to do barn maintenance with current year appropriation and to reduce next year's request.

Reduce line item #153 postage to zero
Reduce line item #127 recording secretary to \$400.00
Reduce line item #157 office supplies to \$100.00
Change line item #205 to #449 Mowing/Cleanup/Supplies and reduce to \$5,000.

MOTION BY LAURA FRANCIS SECONDED BY JAMES MCLAUGHLIN TO APPROVE CONSERVATION COMMISSION BUDGET #2020 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$8,600. ALL AYE

Historic District Commission - 2035

Board will ask Chairman if the commission will need to print additional brochures this year. L. Francis asked the commission to consider workshops. Budget placed on hold.

Tax Assessor - 1500

John Philip was in attendance to review this budget. Line item #204 Consultants and Revaluation for 2010 was discussed.

MOTION BY LAURA FRANCIS SECONDED BY JOHN SZEWCZYK TO APPROVE TAX ASSESSOR BUDGET #1500 AS PRESENTED IN THE AMOUNT OF \$18,225. ALL AYE

Volunteer Fire Department - 4020

Harry Hall was present to explain the increase in accidental death coverage and the increase in benefit and bond for officers. The Board of Selectmen will look to see if CIRMA would cover bonding and check to see when pre employment physicals were done. Maryjane and Harry will work together to reallocate the budget for line #303 Departmental into more appropriate categories.

MOTION BY LAURA FRANCIS SECONDED BY JAMES MCLAUGHLIN TO APPROVE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT BUDGET #4020 AS PRESENTED IN THE AMOUNT OF \$62,525. ALL AYE

L. Francis discussed options for a salary "give back" for elected officials.

Meeting adjourned at 12:12 p.m.
Respectfully submitted, Maryjane Malavasi