

**Hopkinton Budget Committee
Library
February 2, 2010
Final Minutes**

Present: Patrice Gerseny – Chair; Danny Coen; Cameron Ford; Karen Irwin;
George Langwasser – Selectmen; Bob Carpenter – Contoocook Village Precinct;
Tom O'Donnell – Hopkinton Village Precinct.

Absent: David Lancaster, David Luneau – School Board

The meeting began at 6:35 pm.

Chair Gerseny explained that tonight's process was to go through the power point that will be presented at the Public Hearing on February 3, 2010. She also responded to questions as to the process of the Budget.

George Langwasser stated he believed the petition warrant for the private road plowing was submitted with the necessary signatures.

Chair Gerseny explained that the State changed the Revenue form in the MS 7. She researched the form and determined that the Town format was:

Prior Year Estimates	Actual Revenues Prior Year	Selectmen Estimated Revenues
It now is:		
Actual Revenues Prior Year	Selectmen Estimated Revenues	Budget Committee Estimated Revenues

Bob Carpenter asked which amount would appear in the Operating Budget Warrant Article. Karen Irwin stated that the amount would be the Budget Committee's amount. George Langwasser stated that the Selectmen, at the Town Annual Meeting, intend to amend the Budget Committee amount to the amount they originally voted on and that the Selectmen will not support a raise for Town employees. Danny Coen reminded the Committee that they cannot give raises to Town employees.

The Committee began reviewing the power point, stating the slides contained only Warrant Articles containing money amounts. Committee members suggested changes to some of the slides and deleting others that could be seen better on paper. They decided to include in the hand out, the power point slides so noted could be taken as well as the pages of the MS 7s.

The meeting adjourned at 9:30pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Beth Clark
Secretary