

Budget Committee Meeting
Hopkinton Town Hall
Minutes
January 23, 2013
5:30 p.m.

Attendees: Tim Carney, Tom O'Donnell Congoran, Janet Krzyzaniak, David Luneau, Michael Montore, Terry Quinn, Karen Irwin, Lance Whitehead, Jim O'Brien filling in for Tom Congoran and Ken Traum

Absent: Lance Whitehead and David O'Keefe

Others Present: Stephen Chamberlain and Michelle Clark and Cairns

Chairman Irwin opened the meeting at 5:36 p.m. and took the agenda out of order so others present could get to another meeting. We went over the Contoocook Budget and remaining questions. Only remaining questions were by the chairman regarding the water services line expenditure of \$16 thousand last year and budget request of \$36 thousand. Why the need for an increased budget. Ken Traum answered in case something breaks. Karen Irwin asked what happened to the surplus and the answer was it goes into the end of the year surplus. The chairman asked if there were any changes recommended by the committee for the Contoocook Village Precinct Budget, seeing none requested a motion to approve the Contoocook Village Precinct Budget. David Luneau made the motion seconded by Jim O'Brien. All were in favor and none opposed.

Hopkinton Village Precinct Budget was next on the agenda; Chairman Irwin asked if we had a modified MS-37. Tom O'Donnell said that he had changed the last page but the incomplete form was all we were going to get. We tabled this budget conversation so that the Superintendent could get to his meeting. Next was the Hopkinton School District no questions came from the committee. Other than Karen Irwin asked if anyone had any questions or changes recommended to the school budget, seeing none chairman Irwin made a motion to cut \$25,000 out of the non-union pay increases amount of \$36,000. A second was not received. The motion was made to approve the Hopkinton School Budget as proposed by David Luneau seconded by Ken Traum, all were in favor, and Karen Irwin was opposed.

The next budget was the Town Budget. Karen Irwin asked about the \$1.3 million and the addition in revenue of \$736 thousand from the local government center insurance claim and an additional \$78,000 was to be used from surplus. Chairman Irwin asked if the committee had any remaining questions or adjustments, seeing none requested a motion to approve the Town Budget which was made by David Luneau seconded by Janet Krzyzaniak. All were in favor.

Back to the Hopkinton Village Precinct Budget a discussion ensued about what to do about the HVP Budget forms and the lack of information supplied. David Luneau made a motion to approve the budget as proposed seconded by Ken Traum, the motion does not

carry. A motion is made by Chairman Irwin to adjust the legal expense budget line by \$2,000 and the general government buildings line by \$2,173 which is line with actual expenses from the previous year and because of a lack of information. The motion is seconded by Janet Krzyzaniak. All were in favor none opposed.

Next on the agenda were the draft minutes for January 16, 2013 a motion was made to approve by David Luneau seconded by Michael Montore all were in favor non opposed. Chairman Irwin discussed the public hearing spreadsheets, David Luneau did not have any issue as long as they were something that Michelle had previously used. Chairman Irwin was to update and send to the town budget leads for review.

Next on the agenda was public comment but no public was remaining. Last on the agenda was other issues, Janet Krzyzaniak brought up that she thought if you made a commitment and ran for the committee you should be in attendance regularly. Yes, she said I am talking about Lance Whitehead. He misses a lot of important meetings during budget time. No other issues were brought up and Chairman Irwin requested a motion to adjourn which was made by David Luneau and seconded by Ken Traum. The meeting adjourned at 7:57 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Katherine Irwin and Karen Irwin