



*Budget Committee Draft Minutes
November 7, 2016*

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16. 1. Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance;

17. Chair Schmitz called the meeting to order at 7PM. Those in attendance were Charles
18. Gallant, Kathleen Kilgore, Anne Ambrogi, Jonathan Pinette, Rick Stanton, James Sununu,
19. Dickie Garnett and John Anthony Simmons

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21. Chair Schmitz led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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23. 2. New Business

24. 2.1 First Review of Town/Select Board Proposed FY 18 Budget

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26. Town Administrator Apple gave a presentation on the proposed operating budget of the
27. town for FY 18. (A copy of the complete presentation are attached to these minutes.)

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29. Town Administrator Apple reviewed the tax rate of 2016 as follows:

30. • Town \$5.69
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32. • School 8.48
33. • State Ed 2.51
34. • Total tax rate: **\$17.79**

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36. Discussion on the proposal for the Public Safety building was discussed and noted that
37. the Select Board are unsure whether there will be anything on the ballot this year.

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39. Mr. Sununu stated he had looked at the towns that were used for comparison in wages,
40. and noted North Hampton is much higher per capita and the percentage of budget on
41. public safety was too high. In the towns he compared, he noted 1/3% of the budgets
42. were for public safety compared to North Hampton at 50%.
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44 Discussion ensued regarding how things are structured in the fire and police
45 departments, and the need to form a subcommittee that will review the MRI study that
46 was completed in 2008.
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50 **Motion by Mr. Garnett that the Budget Committee recommend to the Select Board to**
51 **see if there is public interest in a review of the MRI study from 2008. Seconded by**
52 **Chair Schmitz. Motion carries 8-1.**
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54 3. Old Business

55 3.1 Updates from October 31, 2016 meeting
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57 Chair Schmitz stated there are no minutes to approve yet and the procedures need to be
58 completed with the edits. She further stated these items would be taken up at the
59 November 21 meeting.
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61 4. Adjourn

62 Meeting adjourned at 8:45 PM.
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64 Respectfully,
65 Janet L. Facella
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69 Next meeting - Monday, November 21, 2016 - First Review with School/SAU 21 Proposed FY18
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