

Municipal Budget Committee

Anne Ambrogi Dickie Garnett John Anthony Simmons Charles Gallant Kathy Kilgore James Sununu

Kari Schmitz Jonathan Pinette Richard Stanton

Budget Committee Minutes

Monday December 5, 2016 7:00pm Town Hall

1. Call to Order

Chair Schmitz called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Those in attendance were: Kathleen Kilgore, Anne Ambrogi, Dickie Garnett, Jonathan Pinette, John Anthony Simmons, Rick Stanton, James Sununu. Absent: Charles Gallant

Chair Schmitz led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Select Board Chair James Maggiore opened the Select Board meeting at 7:04 PM. Those in attendance were Selectman Miller and Selectman Stanton.

Chair Maggiore stated that the Select Board needed to add an additional \$25,000 to the proposed budget due to water quality issues, testing etc. at the Hampton Rod and Gun Club as well as Coakley Landfill. It is clear there will be an impact on North Hampton regarding the costs associated with remediation and a continued assessment of the two properties.

Motion by Chair Maggiore to add \$25,000 to the Proposed Operating Budget under the Legal account for the purpose of ongoing issues at the Hampton Rod and Gun Club and Coakley Landfill. Seconded by Selectman Miller. Motion carries 3-0.

Chair Maggiore stated the new proposed operating budget for FY18 would be \$7,057,990.

2. New Business - Second review of Town/Select Board Proposal FY18 Budget Chair Schmitz reviewed the proposed operating budget by category/account number.

Discussion ensued regarding the Emergency Management line and the salary proposed. Ryan Cornwell, Finance Director explained how the retirement costs were calculated.

Town Administrator Apple explained the duties that would be incumbent on the Fire Chief and his role as Emergency Management Director and Acting Town Administrator.

Many committee members expressed their concern with the proposed salary.

While reviewing the categories questions arose regarding Tipping Fees, General Assistance, and Social Services. Town Administrator Apple addressed the questions and answered each committee members concern and or question.

Motion by Mr. Garnett to approve the Proposed Operating Budget for FY18 in the amount of \$7,057,990. Seconded by Mrs. Ambrogi.

Discussion with Mr. Simmons making a motion to amend the budget by a decrease of \$55,158. Seconded by Mr. Pinette. Amended motion carries 6-1-1.

Amended motion of \$7,002,832 carries 6-2.

3. Old Business

The next Budget Committee meeting will be on December 19 with the North Hampton School.

4. Approval of Minutes

Minutes were tabled until the December 19 meeting in order to review the meeting to see if the Rules of Procedure were voted on.

5. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 9:12 PM.

Respectfully,

Janet Facella