

TOWN OF ALLENSTOWN  
Budget Committee  
16 School Street  
Allenstown, New Hampshire 03275

Minutes of Budget Committee Meeting on November 4, 2010

Present at the meeting: Carl Caporale, David Coolidge, Don Chaput, Jason Tardiff, Jerry McKenney, Jon Richardson, Larry Anderson, Lisa Komm, Mike Frascinella, Penny Touchette, and Sandy McKenney.

Excused Absent: Sted Holton and Fern Bissonnette

Others present: James Rodger, Bob Carter, Boys & Girls Club Allenstown, Chris Edmond, Director Boys & Girls Club Concord, George Calligandes, Tri-Town Director, and Andrea Martel.

Sandy McKenney opened the meeting at 6:30 PM.

**I. Approve October 28, 2010 minutes.**

- Larry made a motion to approve the minutes with the change of adding Lisa Komm to the roll call. Carl seconded the motion. No discussion. Motion passed.

**II. Discuss the reopened Parks and Recreation budget.**

- Sandy read an email written by Carl Schaefer who was unable to attend the meeting.
- Discussed the expenses paid for the maintenance person over the past few years.
- Question: What type of programs goes on during the winter?
- Answer: Bob Carter stated all kids do homework for at least 45 minutes, teach internet safety, music program, write newsletters, and other activities. The center is open from 2:00 PM to 6:00 PM daily during the winter and open from 7:00 AM to 6:00 PM during the summer.
- Penny made a motion to close the discussion with no changes to the bottom line. Larry seconded the motion. Motion passed.

**III. Review Ambulance Budget.**

- George explained that Hooksett left in July of 2010. The cost is split between Allenstown and Pembroke. Pembroke pays 58% and Allenstown pays 42% of the budget. The amount Allenstown is responsible for is \$91,258.02.
- George explained they are a non-profit agency and has a board of directors. Discussed the purchase of a new ambulance and how only 1 ambulance is in service at a time.
- Carl made a motion to approve the bottom line in the amount of \$91,258.02

(approved by the selectmen). Larry seconded the motion. Took roll call. Carl-yes; Dave-yes; Don-yes; Jason-yes; Jerry-yes; Jon-yes; Larry-yes; Lisa-yes; Mike-yes; Penny-yes; Sandy-yes, motion passed.

#### **IV. Discuss the reopened Assessing Budget.**

- Larry made a motion to table the discussion until next meeting when Paul Apple will be able to attend and discuss with committee. Mike seconded the motion. Motion passed.

#### **V. Review Revaluation Budget.**

- Discussed the revaluation budget is for the assessing of the utilities in town. The amount is a one-time fee the company charges.
- Larry made a motion to approve the bottom line in the amount of \$5,000.00. Jerry seconded the motion. Took a roll call. Carl-yes; Dave-yes; Don-yes; Jason-yes; Jerry-yes; Jon-yes; Larry-no; Lisa-yes; Mike-yes; Penny-no; Sandy-no, motion passed.

#### **VI. Review Finance: Treasurer Budget.**

- Larry made a motion to remove the \$50.00 in the expense line. Carl seconded the motion. Motion passed.
- Larry made a motion to approve the amended bottom line in the amount of \$3,578.00. Sandy seconded the motion. Took a roll call. Carl-no; Dave-no; Don-no; Jason-no; Jerry-no; Jon-no; Larry-yes; Lisa-no; Mike-no; Penny-no; Sandy-yes, motion failed.
- Carl made a motion to approve the bottom line in the amount of \$3,536.00. Larry seconded the motion. Motion was withdrawn from both Carl and Larry.
- Jon made a motion to add \$14.00 to the expense line. Larry seconded the motion. Motion passed.
- Carl made a motion to approve the amended bottom line in the amount of \$3,550.00. Larry seconded the motion. Took a roll call. Carl-yes; Dave-yes; Don-yes; Jason-no; Jerry-yes; Jon-yes; Larry-yes; Lisa-yes; Mike-yes; Penny-yes; Sandy-no, motion passed.

#### **VII. Update on Sewer Upgrade.**

- Andrea stated the budget has been approved by the Sewer Commissioners. The bottom line increased by approximately \$102,000.00. The sewer rate is going from \$7.05 to \$7.60. Stated that the sewer budget does not affect the taxes.

#### **VIII. Other business**

- Sandy discussed an email she received from town hall regarding the 91:A request from Rodger LaFleur for copies of the audio and minutes. She stated that she would like the request in writing and with a time frame of what copies are being requested.
- Discussed what the time frame should be for keeping the audio recordings of the minutes.
- Carl made a motion to destroy the audio after the written minutes have been approved. Larry seconded the motion. Motion failed.
- Jon made a motion to destroy the audio 30 days after the written minutes have

been approved. Larry seconded the motion. Motion passed with Jason abstaining.

- Jon made a motion to add in the footer along with the date, the audio will be destroyed after 30 days. Larry seconded the motion. Motion passed with Jason abstaining.
- The committee agreed that all current audio on file will not be destroyed until after the 91:A request has been completed.
- Penny made a motion to table the discussion regarding the request of minutes until a written request with time frame has been received. Larry seconded the motion. Motion passed with Jason abstaining.

**IX. Schedule next meeting..**

- Next meeting will be on November 18, 2010 at 6:30 PM at the Fire Station.

Jon made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Jerry. Meeting adjourned at 8:54 PM.

Dated Approved: \_\_\_\_\_

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Sandra McKenney, Chair  
Allentown Budget Committee

Audio tape will be destroyed 30 days after approval by committee.