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TOWN OF ALLENSTOWN
Budget Committee
Allenstown, New Hampshire 03275

Minutes of Regular Meeting
December 29, 2011

Call to Order.

The Allenstown Budget Committee Meeting for December 29, 2011 was called to order by the Chair at 6:15 p.m.

Roll Call.

Present on the Board: Larry Anderson, Dave Coolidge, Carol Merrill, Jerry McKenney, Fern Bissonette, Richard Caruso, Carl Caporale, Penny Touchette, and Mike Frascinella.

Others Present.

Residents of Allenstown: Lynn Bissonette

Others Present:

Other Public Officials: Sewer Department; Dana Clement, Superintendent; James Rodger, Commissioner; Jeff McNamara, Commissioner, Andrea Martel, and J. Baxter.

Allenstown Staff: Shaun Mulholland, APD

Meet with Tri-Town Ambulance in regards to reopening the Overlay Budget

Ms. Touchette stated that she wanted to move the \$15,000 for that. Mr. Calligandes stated that he would like to put the \$15,000 back in due to costs of larger items. He explained that Allenstown is only responsible for \$6,300 of the budget and Pembroke is responsible for the rest.

Mr. Calligandes discussed in detail the items that Tri-Town would like to purchase and how they would be beneficial. He also discussed that Tri-Town is looking to enter into an Intermunicipal Agreement with Pembroke and Allenstown and how this would affect the current budget.

Motion. Mr. Caporale made a motion to open the Tri-Town Ambulance Budget. Mr. McKenney seconded the Motion. There was no additional discussion.

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A Roll Call Vote was taken: Mr. Anderson-Yes; Mr. Coolidge-Yes; Mrs. Merrill-Yes; Mr. McKenney-Yes; Mr. Bissonette-Yes; Mr. Caruso-Yes, Mr. Caporale-Yes; Mrs. Touchette-Yes, and Mr. Frascinella-Yes. Mrs. Touchette declared the Motion passed.

Motion. Mr. Anderson made a motion to reduce tri-town ambulance budget \$6,300 for a bottom line of \$117,447. Mr. Caporale seconded the Motion. There was no additional discussion.

A Roll Call Vote was taken: Mr. Anderson-Yes; Mr. Coolidge-Yes; Mrs. Merrill-Yes; Mr. McKenney-Yes; Mr. Bissonette-Yes; Mr. Caruso-Yes, Mr. Caporale-Yes; Mrs. Touchette-Yes, and Mr. Frascinella-Yes. Mrs. Touchette declared the Motion passed.

Meet with the Sewer Department regarding Questions of Vehicle purchases

Mr. Clement distributed a memo that he put together to address the questions brought up at a previous meeting. The Budget Committee further discussed their concerns with vehicle purchases. Mr. Anderson asked Mr. Clement how many vehicles they currently have. Mr. Clement discussed with the Budget Committee the amount of vehicles they have and what they use them for; plowing, mowing, etc. Mr. Clement also stated that they were looking into leasing a one ton truck to help with various tasks as the vehicles they have now are not efficient enough to complete necessary tasks. The Budget Committee discussed whether to lease the vehicle or to purchase it.

Discussion of School Budget

Mrs. Touchette stated that she spoke with Mr. Tom Irzyk regarding the School Budgets. Mr. Tom Irzyk told her that he has the contract with the teachers and they had made further cuts however, he wanted to meet with the SAU to review the budget and make sure they didn't miss anything. Mr. Tom Irzyk asked if the Budget Committee could continue him until January 5, 2012.

Motion. Mr. Anderson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Caporale seconded the Motion. There was no additional discussion.

A Roll Call Vote was taken: Mr. Anderson-Yes; Mr. Coolidge-Yes; Mrs. Merrill-Yes; Mr. McKenney-Yes; Mr. Bissonette-Yes; Mr. Caruso-Yes, Mr. Caporale-Yes; Mrs. Touchette-Yes, and Mr. Frascinella-Yes. Mrs. Touchette declared the Motion passed.

The Chairperson, Mrs. Touchette adjourned the meeting at 7:19pm.