

Hill Budget Committee
Meeting Minutes
December 7, 2017

Present: George Robie, Denise Robie, Shelly Henry (School Board), Joe Mahoney, Paula McDonough, Jerry Deroschers (Vice Chairperson), Eric Herr, Kristen Cunningham, Mike Brady (Selectperson Rep.), Charles Henry, Charles Estes, Paul Meyerhoefer (Secretary)

Absent: Patrick McDonough, Bill Wilson, Tom Seymour

Public: 2 people, Dean Stevenson (Highway Dept.), Dee Ford (Fire Dept.)

Jerry opened meeting at 7: 10 p.m.

Department Head Reviews

	Budget	2017	2018
4220 Fire		\$ 50,861.00	\$ 70,862.00

Dee Ford lead review

Budget is level funded except for new line of \$ 25,000.00

Originally proposed budget had (\$ 15,000.00) under new equipment/replacement line Dee said this was a typo error and should show cost of (\$10,000.00) for line.

Looking to continue with purchase of 2 SCBA pacs to continue rotation of dated units

Question on grant monies to fund cost of SCBA's ? Dee said the town doesn't qualify (no business, size of community) for a majority of available grant monies.

Dee explained the new line item (part-time fire chief)

Selectmen have requested her time on a number of town duties and in response to this Dee felt there should be a dedicated cost for services involved. Some of these duties would involve part-fire chief inspections - health officer - flagging for highway dept. It would be a salaried yearly wage of (\$ 25,000.00) based on scheduled hrs. of 2 – 8 hr. days (week) 1 – 3 hr. evening (week) 1 – 4 hr. every other Saturday.

Dee thought the wage line for Fire Dept. of (\$ 9,1700.00) would be less if new line was approved.

Question to make sure there is a formal log for services to help with future decisions along with a job description made up for position.

Mike noted he would need to discuss this with the other selectmen to decide on their budget recommendations.

Question as to how funding for this new line may show up in budget? Possibility of splitting funds into other lines such as health for health officer.

4324 Solid Waste Disposal	\$ 79, 457.00	\$ 80,660.00
----------------------------------	---------------	--------------

Dean Stevenson lead review

Added (\$600.00) for cost of extra electricity to plug in new town backhoe

Rest of budget lines are level funded except for a 3% wage increase

4312 Highway and Streets	\$ 335,226.00	\$ 348,619.21
---------------------------------	---------------	---------------

Dean lead review

Equipment repairs were costly new engine in 550 1-ton new radiator for international

New phone purchase for better reception of calls

Equipment Rental cost is higher (2 weeks of mowing)

Recon of highways shimmed pavement on number of roads on Murray Hill
 installed 3 culvert

Minutes were passed out

Paul said he will be adding statement to show minutes were approved for November 30 minutes.

Paula motion to approve minutes as corrected Charles 2nd motion vote was unanimous

Next meeting will be December 14, 2017 (Police / Parks and Rec.) at 7:00 p.m. in Library.

Meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted

Paul Meyerhoefer