

**Hill Budget Committee
Meeting Minutes
October 15, 2018**

Present: Charles Henry, Charles Estes, Gerry Desrochers, Denise Robie, Shelly Henry (School Board), Bill Wilson, Eric Herr, Tom Seymour (Selectman), Kristen Cunningham

Absent: Paul Meyerhoefer, Patrick McDonough

Public: Mike Brady (Selectman)

Meeting Business

Charles Estes called meeting to order at 7:05pm

Nomination of Committee Positions

Gerry nominated Charles Estes for Chairman, Tom seconded, vote was unanimous

Tom nominated Eric for Vice Chairman, Charles Estes seconded, vote was unanimous

Denise nominated Kristen for Secretary, Shelly seconded, vote was unanimous

Discussion of Meeting Dates

Gerry led discussion of upcoming dates

Wednesday, March 20th School District Meeting

Thursday, March 14th Town Meeting

Tuesday, March 12th Town Elections

Tuesday, March 5th Town Reports need to be available to the public

Monday, February 25th Last day for selectmen to post budget and warrant articles

Wednesday, February 20th Last day budget committee can submit budget to selectman for posting

Monday, February 11th, (Snow Day Tuesday, February 12th) Tentative date Public Hearing-Town Budget

Mike Brady made a suggestion to hold the public hearing for the budget earlier, at the end of January, rather than waiting until the bitter end.

Town departments have already submitted next yrs. budgets to the selectmen.

Selectmen hope to have their budget ready in 30 days. They will e-mail their budget to the Budget Committee by November 12th.

Budget Committee will meet on Tuesday, November 13th @ 7:00pm to review the Selectmen's Budget.

During this mtg. they will decide which departments to review at the Monday, November 26th mtg.

On November 26th the Budget Committee will decide on dates for the remainder of their mtgs. Meetings will be held on Mondays @ 7:00pm.

A suggestion was made to have mtg. agendas at all future mtgs. Charles Estes will work on this.

It was mentioned that the Budget Committee needs to be more forward-looking in their approach to reviewing and making recommendations for the budget. Discussion ensued on how to accomplish this.

It was also suggested that the Budget Committee needs to take a look at the town's revenue when reviewing the budget.

Upcoming Meeting Dates

Tuesday, November 13th @ 7:00pm

Monday, November 26th @ 7:00pm

Meeting was adjourned at 8:40pm

Respectfully submitted, Kristen Cunningham