

**Hill Budget Committee  
Meeting Minutes  
August 12, 2020**

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**Present :** Tom Seymour (Selectperson), Lee Herterich, Bill Wilson, Marshall Bennett, Joann Irving Carol Asher (School Board), Jerry Deroschers, Paul Meyerhoefer (Secretary)

**Absent:** Paula McDonough, Charlie Henry

**Meeting Minutes**

Jerry passed out Town YTD Budget Comparison along with registration form for State Budget workshop on Sept. 24.

Question on status of Town Hall roof project? Tom explained the town is currently getting new bids since the first bids didn't carry a number for roof over police office. The town still plans to move forward with work.

**Discussion on Budget Mechanics**

Unreserved Fund Balance 5-17% range of budget recommended by DRA from tax base

Capitol Reserve Fund can be spent in two ways (1) thru warrant articles passed at town meeting (2) selectmen appointed as agents to expend the fund

Tax rate is set by the town vote to be spent, amount town receives in revenues, rest is made up from town taxation

Fire Dispatch formula with Lakes Region (1) valuation of town 50% (2) population ? 50% make up cost assessed to town

Police Dispatch contract between Franklin and Hill departments

Line items are mandated from DRA why ambulance is not under Fire Dept.

SPCA contract between Hill Police and Franklin shelter if no owner found

Payroll taxes are entered in one system during year then are separated at end of year

Talked about Covid-19 concerns on school budget. Carol felt they were in good shape with all that has been going on. She said the because students have received computers they were one of the best in the state for on line learning. The school has received around \$ 12,000.00 from the state to help with dealing with Covid -19 they haven't used up funds since they were ahead of other schools with not having to provide extra computers.

Next meeting Sept. 23, 2020

Jerry made motion to adjourn, Tom 2<sup>nd</sup> motion vote was unanimous

Respectfully Submitted  
Paul Meyerhoefer

Budget Committee Meeting

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Members Present: Carol Asher (School Board Rep.), Joann Irving, Marshall Bennett, Bill Wilson, Lee Herterich, Jerry Desrochers, Paul Meyerhoefer, Tom Seymour (Selectmen Rep.)

Members Absent: Betty Hanks

Charlie Henry has resigned as of August 10, 2020 so there is a seat open for the committee to fill.

With several new members, all members introduced themselves.

Jerry Desrochers moved to have Bill Wilson serve as Chairman, seconded by Joann Irving. Motion passed 7 yes, 0 no (Paul was not present yet).

Tom Seymour moved to approve the February 12, 2020 minutes from the School Budget public hearing and the budget committee meeting that followed the public hearing, seconded by Bill Wilson. Motion passed 3 yes, 0 no and 4 abstaining (Paul was not present yet).

Bill Wilson moved to have Paul Meyerhoefer serve as Secretary, seconded by Joann Irving. Motion passed 7 yes, 0 no.

Paul arrived after the motion was passed.

Above is based on notes taken by Jerry Desrochers. Paul has the remainder of the minutes.