

**Hill Budget Committee
Meeting Minutes
December 9, 2020**

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Present: Bill Wilson (Chairperson), Tom Seymour (Selectperson), Joanne Irving, Betty Hanks, Carol Asher (School Board), Lee Herterich, Paula McDonough, Don Meyer, Paul Meyerhoefer (Secretary)

Absent: Marshall Bennett

Public: Shawn Bresnahan (Selectperson), Dee Ford (Fire Chief), December Fortin

Meeting Minutes

Bill opened meeting at 7:05 p.m.
Shawn presented review of Executive Budget.

Executive Budget

The cost of all town sections presented at meeting for 2021 totaled (\$ 160,955.29). This number is a decrease from 2020 cost of (\$ 164,605). All town sections were reviewed and questions were explained. The costs of section 4155 Personal Admin for 2021 asked for totaled (\$13,120.) a lower figure than asked for in 2020 of (\$23,337.) this was due to the level funding of budget in 2020 The number of (\$23,337.) were used to make a double payment for workmen compensation insurance. This is why there is an unspent balance of (\$9,697.00). The current monies asked for reflect the current cost for year.

Question on the current monies spent this past year show roughly a (\$39,00.) balance if monies would be going back to general fund to reduce taxes? In reponse Tom stated bills amounting to (\$ 8,000.00) were already accounted for and the possibility of funds being used to offset taxes will depend on what rest of year presents.

Fire Dept.

Dee presented fire budget. The cost for Fire Dept. section at meeting for 2021 totaled (\$ 66,225.00) which is a decrease from 2020 cost (\$ 70,263.00). A lowering of cost for vehicle maintenance made the largest change in overall budget. Dee spoke of not putting large amounts of money into the used yellow fire truck, stating age of truck is ready for replacement She will be looking in the near future to replace truck. She also would like to replace roof on Fire House shingles are showing wear.

Question on Dispatch Dues and why budgeting less than cost of service? Dee responded the number is unknown until billing. Dispatch has a formula to figure cost which includes, town assessment along with population for each participating community. She felt that monies in her budget would cover any change in cost. Looking into internet and phone to answer increase in costs. Covid Cares Act monies were paid to staff for a total of (\$ 3,200.) which was replaced by State of N.H. with refunded monies sent to Town General Fund.

Lee made motion to accept minutes of Dec. 2 as amended, Don 2nd motion, vote was 7 yes, 1 abstained
Motion carries

Betty made motion to adjourn, Paula 2nd motion, vote was unanimous
Motion carries Meeting adjourned 9:15 p.m.

Next meeting Dec. 16

Respectfully Submitted
Paul Meyerhoefer