Board of Selectmen's Special Budget Meeting March 1, 2017

The meeting was called to order by First Selectman George Temple at 6:00pm. Present: First Selectman George Temple, Selectman Jeff Haney, Selectman Kathy Johnson. Also present: James Hliva, Finance Director.

The purpose of the Special Meeting is to vote on 2017-2018 department budgets and forward the amended budget to the Board of Finance.

MOTION:

First Selectman George Temple moved to reduce the Ambulance Labor by \$52,052, based on a reduction in vehicle mileage reimbursement, car lease being paid off, and projected revenue increases. This was seconded by Selectman Kathy Johnson. All 3 Ayes. Motion carries.

MOTION:

Kathy Johnson moved to reduce the Assessor Clerk Salary by \$2,000 because of a reduction in hourly rate. This was seconded by Selectman Jeff Haney. All 3 Ayes. Motion carries.

MOTION:

Kathy Johnson moved to reduce the Assessor Mapping line item by \$8,500 because of cost allocated to other departments. This was seconded by Jeff Haney. All 3 Ayes. Motion carries.

MOTION:

Kathy Johnson moved to reduce the Assessor Education line item by \$800, keeping it the same as current year. This was seconded by Jeff Haney. All 3 Ayes. Motion carries.

MOTION:

Jeff Haney moved to reduce the Building Department's vehicle repairs by \$5,000, as the repairs will probably be done in the current fiscal year. This was seconded by Kathy Johnson. All 3 Ayes. Motion carries.

MOTION:

Jeff Haney moved to reduce the Civic Activities for Pomperaug Water Shed by \$3,000, keeping it the same as the current year. This was seconded by Kathy Johnson. All 3 Ayes. Motion carries.

MOTION:

First Selectman George Temple moved to reduce the Civil Preparedness ready to eat meals by \$3,000, purchasing 1 skid and rotate. This was seconded by Kathy Johnson. All 3 Ayes. Motion carries.

MOTION:

Kathy Johnson moved to reduce the Finance Department's Financing Costs line item by \$5,000, because of the Finance Director's statement that he will not need all of the money based on the new library being bonded with older projects. This was seconded by Jeff Haney. All 3 Ayes. Motion caries.

Library discussion: First Selectman George Temple stated that any action on the library should be deferred to the Board of Finance. They, the Board of Finance will have a better idea of the projected opening of the new library.

MOTION:

First Selectman George Temple moved to reduce the Police Department's Trooper Overtime by \$50,000 due to the use of more local police at local events. This was seconded by Kathy Johnson. All 3 Ayes. Motion carries.

MOTION:

First Selectman George Temple moved to reduce the Police Department's Trooper Wages by \$133,889 due to the reduction of troopers working in Oxford. This was seconded by Kathy Johnson. All 3 Ayes. Motion carries.

MOTION:

Kathy Johnson moved to reduce the Public Works' Vehicle Maintenance by \$7,400, keeping it the same as the current year due to new trucks being purchased. This was seconded by Jeff Haney. All 3 Ayes. Motion carries.

MOTION:

Kathy Johnson moved to reduce the Registrar's Referendum line item by \$7,000, budgeting for two referendums a year, as in the past. This was seconded by Jeff Haney. All 3 Ayes. Motion carries.

MOTION:

Kathy Johnson moved to reduce the WPCA's Maintenance Materials by \$4,000, keeping it the same as the current year. This was seconded by Jeff Haney. All 3 Ayes. Motion carries.

MOTION:

Kathy Johnson moved to reduce the Total Town Budget by \$307,641. This was seconded by Jeff Haney. All 3 Ayes. Motion carries.

MOTION:

First Selectman George Temple moved to approve Road Improvements in the amount of \$734,000, as requested. This was seconded by Jeff Haney. All 3 Ayes. Motion carries.

Motion to Adjourn was made at 6:55pm by Selectman Kathy Johnson. This was seconded by Jeff Haney. All 3 Ayes. Motion carries.

Respectfully submitted, subject to approval

Robbi Costigan, Clerk

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