

MINUTES
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
SPECIAL BUDGET MEETING
Oxford Town Hall – March 5, 2013

The meeting was called to order by First Selectman George Temple at 4:10 p.m.

Present: First Selectman George Temple, Selectman Jeffrey Haney and Selectman Dave McKane. Also present: James Hliva, Finance Director.

The purpose of the meeting is to review and discuss department budgets and Capital Plan with possible action.

The following budgets were reviewed and discussed:

Ambulance Corps
Assessment Appeals
Assessor
Building Department
Civic Activities
Civil Preparedness
Conservation Commission
Cultural Arts
Debt Service- Interest and Debt Service-Principal
Dog Warden
Economic Development
Elderly Commission
Emergency Communications
 Wages for the manager of this department was discussed at length.
Employee Benefits
Board of Ethics
Finance
Finance Board
Finance Contingency
Fire Department
Fire Marshal
Health & Social Services
Housing Authority
Insurance
Lake Housatonic Authority
Lawn Maintenance
Library
Long Range Planning Committee
Open Burning Official
Parks & Recreation
Planning & Zoning
Police Department
Pomperaug Health District
Probate Court

Public Works Wages

Selectmen McKane recused himself from the Public Works wage portion of the budget.

Public Works Highway Maintenance

Public Works Administration

Contracted services storm water was discussed. (This is to monitor the storm water that goes into the catch basins.) Selectman Haney noted the large increase in this item. He commented that he has been watching what the Town has been paying for engineering fees, and the amount is very high. He proposed that in the future, fees like this should go out to bid more often.

Recycling & Solid Waste

Registrar of Voters

Selectmen

Selectman Haney proposed to establish the position of Human Resources Director at the pay rate of \$65,000 per year.

Street Lighting

Tax Collector

Town Clerk

Selectmen McKane recused himself from the Town Clerk wage portion of the budget.

Town Counsel

Town Hall

Treasurer

Tree Removal

Water Hydrant Charges

Water Pollution Control Authority

Zoning Board of Appeals.

Motion to Recess to a time certain to 4:00 p.m. on March 6, 2013 made by Selectman McKane. This was seconded by Selectman Haney. All (3) Ayes. Motion passes unanimously.

Motion to come out of recess on March 6, 2013 at 4:15 p.m. made by Selectman McKane. This was seconded by First Selectman Temple. Motion passes.

Present: First Selectman George Temple, Selectman McKane and James Hliva, Finance Director.

Discussion of Capital plan took place. Adjustments were made to finalize the capital budget to be presented to Town Meeting. First Selectman Temple noted that he is including \$350,000 for school security. This amount was not requested by the Board of Education and their school security improvements were split over several years. He wants the school security done as a priority to protect our children.

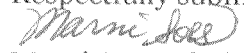
Discussion then switched to the operating budget. Based on the Capital plan, the Selectmen added \$499,355 to the capital projects of the Municipal budget. This included capital purchases and the yearly cost of new leases as recommended in the Capital plan.


The selectmen agreed on a municipal budget of \$14,330,183 to be voted on at the Board of Selectmen's regular meeting later today at 7:30 p.m.

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Being no further business, Selectman McKane moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:45 p.m. This was seconded by First Selectman Temple. Motion passes.

Respectfully submitted, subject to approval


Marni Soss, Clerk

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