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Selectmen's Work Session
1:30 pm - Town Offices

Friday, December 8, 2017

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MINUTES

Present: Chairman Lloyd Wood, Selectman Bill Marcussen, Selectman Chip Albee and Administrative Secretary Karen Koch.

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Wood called the Selectmen's work session to order at 1:30 pm and proceeded with the Pledge of Allegiance.

BUDGET REVIEWS

4312 Highways & Streets

The Selectmen reduced this budget from the department head request at their 11/13/17 meeting. Mr. Bean wished to revisit the budget as he feels that work is falling behind due to budget restrictions and feels that it's important to allow for catching up in 2018. There was discussion regarding what is included in Spring, Summer, Fall and Winter Maintenance. Mr. Bean noted that the main reason why he increased Spring Maintenance \$10,000 is because expenditures are consistently over budget historically as there is not enough budgeted to complete the necessary work. After discussion about beaver control and beaver control pipes no funds were added for pipes in 2018. The Selectmen agreed to Mr. Bean's suggestion to add \$7500 for crack sealing.

Motion: Selectman Marcussen moved to add an additional line to budget 4312 for crack sealing in the amount of \$7500 for a total budget of \$452,600, seconded by Chairman Wood for discussion. There was discussion regarding roadside mowing and road striping. It was agreed that a road striping proposal should be created in 2018 for 2019 budgeting with Chief Shagoury's assistance. There was discussion regarding Knotweed treatment in the access area of the Great Meadow. Mr. Bean also responded to Chairman Wood about quotes requested for brush cutting and mowing. Vote passed with all in favor.

4619 Other Conservation

Joan Magrauth presented the Agricultural Commission portion of this budget. The Ag Commission is newly created as of one year ago. This budget increased \$1500 from 2017. Four of the Five requested budget items are one-time expenses (plants/supplies for demonstration pollinator plot at community garden, sign for the garden, compost consultant and supplies for demonstration composting area). It was suggested to include Clay Gallagher in composting discussions. Bill Marcussen presented the Milfoil portion of the budget. This budget increased \$18,750 from 2017. Herbicide treatment was last done in 2013 and should be every several years. Harvesting has not proven enough and the State has recommended treatment for phragmites and herbicide in 2018 at a cost of \$17,200. The State program does offer a reimbursement for the treatment. The water charge of \$900 is to purchase water bottles for the people that drink from the lake that will not be able to during the 30 day treatment. Diver Harvesting (DASH) is just an estimate at this time. Lake Host is a donation to NH Lakes to help fund the boat ramp education program. IMA is an annual contribution to

the Intermunicipal Association (Wolfeboro and Tuftonboro) for the DASH boat. (This amount reduced from \$1500 in past years for two boats to \$750 for one boat.)

Motion: Selectman Albee moved to approve budget 4619 for \$28,750, seconded by Chairman Wood with all in favor.

The Selectmen will hold their next regular meeting on Monday, 12/11/17 at 9:00 and will hold a work session on 12/15/17 at 9:00 am to review warrant articles.

The Selectmen agreed to have Diane Falcey move the 2017 legal expenses to the appropriate budget lines within budget 4153. The Moultonborough Watershed Plan is being presented to the public on 12/11/17 at 3:00 pm at the Moultonborough Public Safety Center.

There was discussion regarding the importance of carefully watching projects associated with the Highway & Streets budget next year.

PUBLIC INPUT

The Selectmen replied to Carla Lootens about beaver control and the Highway budget.

ADJOURNMENT

At approximately 2:45 pm, Selectman Albee moved to adjourn, seconded by Selectman Marcussen with all in favor.

Respectfully submitted, Karen Koch, Administrative Secretary