BUDGET COMMITTEE

Milton, New Hampshire

March 24, 2014 Meeting Minutes

A Roll Call-seating of members was done and it was determined there was a quorum. All members were present with the exception of excused member, Jennifer Crone. The past Chair welcomed new members and asked for the contact information from everyone.

The Committee organized by electing a chair and vice-chair. L. Brown moved to nominate B. Woodruff as chair, seconded by R. Carrier. No other nominations. Vote U/A. S. Nadeau moved to nominate J. Kelley as vice-chair, seconded by D. Shute. J. Kelley declined to accept the nomination, stating business reasons. M. Beaulieu moved to nominate R. Carrier as vice-chair, seconded by L. Brown. No other nominations. Vote U/A.

Since Assistant Fire Chief Devon Pageau was the top write-in vote-getter in the recent election, he was considered for the vacant member slot. D. Pageau spoke about himself to the committee. D. Shute moved to have D. Pageau become a member (not sure about the term), seconded S. Nadeau. Vote 7-1, approved. E. Brown opposed. Former member, Eric Ohlenbusch was recognized by the committee for his dedicated, steadfast work on the budget committee and was thanked by all.

4 69 4-15-2014 Minutes of the March 3, 2014 meeting were reviewed. J. Kelley moved to approve as written, seconded by M. Beaulieu. Vote 6-0 with 2 abstentions.

There was a considerable amount of discussion regarding the absence of a recording secretary and the funding to have one. It was decided to have Selectman Beaulieu request a digital recorder for now, and to ask if funds could be found to do this important task. The issue was tabled to a future meeting. B. Woodruff was asked to prepare the minutes for this meeting. R. Carrier volunteered to be the clerk for the foreseeable future or until the committee got a recording secretary back.

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- B. Woodruff said he would prepare an annual schedule of meeting dates for the committee. It was decided that the meetings, however, would normally be held on the third Tuesday of each month at 6:30PM. He stated he would print out bylaws for the next meeting. B. Woodruff brought up the fact that the Town Report, prepared at the end of the year, was a great example of the type and format of information that the budget committee requires and suggested that the committee request this type of information on a quarterly basis. Discussion ensued. The committee consensus was that this be requested. There were no Citizen's Comments.

Next meeting is Tuesday, April 15th at 6:30PM in Town Hall.

J. Kelley moved to adjourn, M. Beaulieu seconded. Vote U/A. at 7:48 PM.

Prepared by:

Bruce W. Woodruff-Chair

approved with penand ink changes noted at the 4-15-2014 regular meeting. Bull Woodff, Chair