

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL BUDGET COMMITTEE and SPECIAL BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S MEETING MARCH 18, 2014 WINDSOR TOWN OFFICE

Note: These minutes may not be considered an official public record until such time as they are read and accepted by the Board of Selectmen Members.

Budget Committee Members Attending: Cheryl Pratt, Jeff Frankel, Tom Reed, Corey King, Joe Bradbury Shellie Nichols-Adams, Bob Holt and Corey Roberge arrived at 6:12 p.m.

Board of Selectmen Members Attending: Ray Bates, Ronnie Brann, Dan Gordon, Jonathan Adams and Richard Gray, Jr. (arrived at 7:40 p.m.)

Employees Attending: Theresa Haskell (*Town Manager*) and Debbie French (*Secretary to the Board*).

Town Manager Theresa Haskell called the Budget Committee Meeting to order at 6:05 p.m. for the nominations of Budget Committee Chairman. Robert Holt (Bob) was nominated and accepted the nomination as Chairman of the Budget Committee. Bob then called the Special Budget Committee Meeting to order at 6:09 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance. Theresa told the committee that since they did not have a full member attendance that the alternates would be able to vote at this meeting.

There were 4 BOS members present at the opening of this meeting so Ray Bates called the BOS Meeting to order at 6:09 p.m.

2014-2015 Municipal Budget:

- a) Theresa presented the expense only side of the proposed budget as the revenue information has not come in yet.
- b) Ronnie Brann said that he was told today that Central Maine Power Company will not be finished here until late summer 2015.
- c) Even though this was a Budget Committee Meeting and not a BOS Meeting, Corey Roberge asked why Public Works pulled an oil truck out of the ditch on his road which is a private road. Jonathan Adams explained that they were afraid of an oil spill and that another person living on that road had called and asked what the town could do about the truck being in the ditch. Corey was not happy with the answer and said that the Town had no right to pull the truck out. Tempers got hot between Corey and Jonathan and Jonathan left the meeting at 7:43 p.m. Corey had another unhappy comment to everyone and left the meeting at 7:44 p.m. Theresa told the committee that it had been her decision due to the fear of an oil spill and the safety of the people on that road. She said that if she was wrong in doing this, then she was sorry.
- d) During discussion on road construction Ray said one of the things that they had under budgeted last year was the amount of gravel it takes to fix shoulders and that it is very expensive.
- e) During discussion of the Rescue Department Ronnie Brann told the committee that there is a need of a new Rescue Vehicle even though Ray Chavarie did not request it. Ronnie said that the rescue truck they are using right now has over 200,000 miles on it and that they responded to over 250 calls this last year with that vehicle. Another BOS member said that he had researched them and they begin at about \$40,000.00.

The motion was made to adjourn the Budget Committee Meeting, was seconded and approved. Bob Holt adjourned the meeting at 9:20

Ray Bates also adjourned the Board of Selectmen's Meeting at 9:20 p.m.

These minutes were approved by the Board of Selectmen on March 25, 2014 as written.

The next Regular Board of Selectmen's Meeting will be on March 25, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. at the Town Hall.

The next Special Budget Committee Meeting will be on April 1, 2014.

Respectfully Submitted,

Debbie French Secretary to the Board of Selectmen