

Town of Limerick Budget Committee
Compiled 1/11/15 (corrected 1/17/15)

Subject: Meeting Minutes December 18, 2014
Call to Order: The meeting began @ 7:04 PM.

Members Present:

Denise Benton
Gil Harris
Kim Oliver
Wendy Thorne
Michael Welsh

Members Absent:

Stephanie Bishop
Steve Grigg

Others Present:

Bob DeVilleneuve: Selectmen
Dean Lepage: Selectman
Roland Lepage: Selectman
Andy Ivy: Planning Board
Michael Mclean: Limerick Fire Chief
Peter Proctor: Limerick EMS
Steve Mclean: Limerick Fire Dept
Dottie Richard
Steve Malamude

1. Meeting Minutes:
 - a. Accept the minutes of 12/4/14: 4 yes; 0 No; 1 Abstain

2. Topic/Business: Planning Board presented by Andy Ivy
 - a. Increase Secretary from 17 hrs/wk to 21 hrs/wk.
 - b. Increase the stipends to account for all members attending workshops & meetings.
 - c. Increase mailing to cover costs of forum mailer questionnaire.
 - d. Include \$2000.00 for maps update. Not completed in 2014.
 - e. Maps have been updated to include the Smith lot where SIS Bank is and the Arrowhead/Lakes District.
 - f. Paper roads & discontinued roads remain on the maps because of 911 addressing.
 - g. Ads: \$950.00.
 - h. Total Budget: \$9526.35.
 - i. In 2014 there were 6 hearings and multiple site walks.

3. Topic/Business: Limerick Fire Department review presented by Michael Mclean.
 - a. Budget is \$131,839.45.
 - b. \$8,000.00 was added back to cover medical supplies.
 - c. Wait until next year to address per diem for Medical personnel.

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- d. EMS relies on Volunteer drivers for the current fulltime EMT.
 - e. Look at hiring drivers for the Ambulance and place as a separate article for the town to decide.
 - f. Do ambulance drivers require medical training?
 - g. Ambulance drivers to require AVOC/EVOC training & licensing.
 - h. The Town of Bethel Municipal Fire Department & Limerick has very similar set up for by laws & incorporation.
4. Other discussions/business: Review Warrant Articles
- a. Charitable Donations: Discussion occurred to keep the charitable donations on the Secret Ballot. A motion was made to consolidate all Charitable donations to one article: Budget Committee: 1 yes; 4 no.
 - 1. The Selectmen voted to move all Charitable Donations off the Secret Ballot for the citizens to vote on the amounts on the town hall floor at the yearly meeting and keep the individual charity articles.
 - 2. The Budget Committee voted to recommend the amounts remain the same: 4 yes; 0 no.
 - b. Art 11 Saco River Corridor Commission: Budget Committee recommends: 4 yes; 0 no.
 - c. Art 12 Lake Arrowhead Conservation Committee: Budget Committee recommends: 2 yes; 1 no; 1 abstain.
 - d. Art 13 Sokokis Lake Boat Ramp: Budget Committee recommends: Request rewording of the Article & receive a request from the Lake Association.
 - e. Discussion: Have requests been received by the Selectmen's Office from Charitable Organizations, LACC & Sokokis Lake Association? The Selectmen will contact the Sokokis Lake Association & LACC. The Selectmen have decided to move the articles to the town hall floor vote and not secret ballot. Article 13 to clarify by 1/15/15.
 - f. Art 14 Pickerel Pond Gate: How many boats have entered? The town has closed the boat ramp on Enterprise Road. There has also been vandalism. Budget Committee recommends: 2 yes; 3 no.
 - g. Art 15 Town Owned lots: Budget Committee recommends: 4 yes; 0 no. Will town sell more lots in 2015? Selectmen state yes.
 - h. Art 16 Brick Town Hall upgrade: Coordinate with the Handicapped committee on consolidating tasks. \$13K for fire doors when the current ones require certification only. Check with engineering firm to find a company to certify the doors.
 - i. Art 17 Housekeeping Articles: Budget Committee recommends: 4 yes; 0 no.
 - j. Art 18 Revenues: Selectmen to review.
 - k. Art 19 Phase 3 of 5 year plan Transfer Station: Budget Committee recommends: 4 yes; 0 no; 1 Abstain. Change wording to add PH 3 of 5 yr plan. Denise Benton (Chairperson) recused herself during this discussion and turned the meeting over to the vice-chair Gil Harris. Once discussion was complete and the vote was taken the meeting was turned back over to the Chairperson Denise Benton.
 - l. Art 20 Revaluation: Budget Committee recommends: 4 yes; 0 no.

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- m. Art 21 Stipends & wages: Budget Committee recommends: 3 yes; 1 no.
Clarification of Office Clerk 16hrs vs support for Admin Associate.
 - n. Art 22 Update Tax maps/assessing: Budget Committee recommends: 4 yes; 0 no.
 - o. Art 23 Professional Fees & Services: Budget Committee recommends: 4 yes; 0 no. Selectmen suggest hiring a grant writer for \$3K.
 - p. Art 24 Incidental account:
 - 1 Item G is a lease payment.
 - 2 Look at Modem Waves Contract possibly put it out for local bid process.
 - 3 Auditor recommends a contingency Item H. vs Incidentals for cost over runs.
 - 4 Items A. thru G. are operation.
 - 5 Budget Committee recommends: Remove Item H. Incidentals to a separate article for contingency overruns. The Contingency Article should state what it is to be used for.
 - 6 The Auditor with the Treasurer will look at it and make recommendations.
 - q. Art 25 General Assistance: Budget Committee recommends: 4 yes; 0 no.
 - r. Art 26 Workers Comp & Unemployment: Wait until 1/15/15.
5. Meetings:
- a. The next meeting will be 1/15/15 @ 7PM.
 - b. Fire Department & Road Commissioner to return with final budget.
6. Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned @ 8:30 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,



Michael S. Welsh
Secretary,
Town of Limerick Budget Committee