



# TOWN OF HUDSON

## Budget Committee

Eric McDowell, Chairman

Ted Trost, Vice-Chairman



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### Budget Committee Meeting Minutes August 02, 2017

#### **A. Call to Order**

Chairman McDowell called the meeting to order at 7:07 pm and declared that a quorum was present.

#### **B. Pledge of Allegiance**

Shawn Murray led the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### **C. Attendance:**

Members Present: Chairman Eric McDowell, Jim Barnes, Vice-Chairman Ted Trost, Joe Fernald, Shawn Murray, Grace Hopkins, Selectman Liaison Alternate David Morin, and School Board Rep Malcolm Price

Members Absent: Lori Robicheau-Pagan - Excused. Clerk Normand Martin – Excused. Bob Guessford - Excused. Selectmen Liaison Ted Luscey – Excused.

Joe Fernald volunteered to take meeting minutes in Mr. Martin's absence.

#### **D. Public Input**

None



## **E. Reports of Committees:**

Board of Selectmen:

Town departments instructed to present budgets with 0% increases. If a department wishes a budget increase, they must present justification to the Board of Selectmen.

Chairman McDowell asked Selectman Morin if the Board of Selectmen discussed the laws regarding capital reserve funding changed. Mr. Morin stated the Selectmen plan to discuss these changes in upcoming meetings.

The change to the laws involves requiring capital reserve funding be approved by warrant article.

School Committee: Nothing to report at this time.

## **F. Acceptance of Minutes**

May 03, 2017

Motion by Jim Barnes, second by Ted Trost to accept the May 03, 2017 meeting minutes.

Mr Trost made a motion to amend the minutes and in future meeting minute submissions change the submitter title at the end of the document to be either Clerk or Clerk of Committee. Amendment passed unanimously.

Original motion to accept minutes as written carried 7-0-1 (Chairman McDowell abstained).

June 07

Motion by Shawn Murray, second by Ted Trost to accept the June 07 minutes.

Mr. Trost suggested we fix a formatting issue with the letterhead.

Motion to accept minutes as written carried 4-0-3 (Jim Barnes, Joe Fernald, School Committee Liaison Malcom Price abstained).  
Selectman Luszey abstained.

### **G. Old Business –**

Mr. Murray asked that the School Department mirror the budget presentation format used by the Board of Selectmen.

### **H. New Business – No new business**

### **I. Other Business**

Items to cover in future meetings – CTE and fire station progress, Budget Committee site visits, review future capital projects.

School Committee Liaison Malcom Price plans to provide CTE updates to the Budget Committee in September. The updates are still preliminary and not ready to put on the Budget Committee agenda.

Next Budget Committee meeting planned for September 06. Mr. Barnes and Mr. Price stated they may be absent for this meeting.

### **J. Adjournment**

Motion by Jim Barnes, seconded by David Morin to adjourn the May 03 2017 meeting of the Hudson Budget Committee. Motion Carries unanimously. Meeting adjourned @ 7:17 pm

**Respectfully Submitted**  
**Joe Fernald**  
**Acting Clerk**