TOWN OF HUDSON



Budget Committee

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Budget Committee Meeting Minutes January 4, 2017

A. Call to Order

Chairman Price called the meeting to order in the Buxton Meeting Room at 7:00 pm, and declared that a quorum was present.

B. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Ted Luszey.

C. Attendance

Members Present: Malcolm Price, Eric McDowell, Geoffrey Keegan, Ted Trost, Jim Barnes, Bob Guessferd, Norm Martin, Joe Fernald, Shawn Murray, School Board Liaison Patty Langlais, Board of Selectmen Liaison Ted Luszey

Members Absent:

D. Public Input

None

E. Acceptance of minutes for December 15, 2016

MOTION: Accept the minutes as amended (Martin/Luszey). Passed: 11-0

Motion to Amendment: Remove the department budgeted increases from the

minutes to avoid confusion. (Trost/Luszey). Passed: 11-0

F. Acceptance of minutes for December 28, 2016

MOTION: Accept the minutes with correction, (Trost/Fernald). Passed: 11-0

G. FY 2018 Budget Presentation

- 1.) Town Default Budget
- 2.) Budget Committee's Warrant Article Vote to Recommend MOTION: Recommend WARRANT ARTICLE A - General Fund Operating Budget. (Luszey/Murray): Passed: 11-0

MOTION: Recommend WARRANT ARTICLE B - Sewer Fund Operating Budget. (Luszey/Trost): Passed: 11-0

MOTION: Recommend WARRANT ARTICLE C - Water Fund Operating Budget. (Luszey/Martin): Passed: 11-0

MOTION: Recommend WARRANT ARTICLE D - Wage and Benefit Increase for Town Clerk/Tax Collector. (Luszey/Trost): Passed: 11-0

MOTION: Recommend WARRANT ARTICLE E - Wage and Benefit Increases for Full Time Employees of Rodgers Memorial Library. (Luszey/Frenald): Passed: 8-3 (Voting "No": Martin, McDowell, Murray)

MOTION: Recommend WARRANT ARTICLE G - Funding for Capital Reserve Funds from Unassigned Fund Balance. (Luszey/Trost): Passed: 11-0

MOTION: Recommend WARRANT ARTICLE H - Discontinue Capital Reserve Funds. (Luszey/Barnes): Passed: 11-0

MOTION: Recommend WARRANT ARTICLE I - Construction of a New Fire Station. (Luszey/Murray): Passed: 11-0

MOTION: Recommend WARRANT ARTICLE J - Ambulance Replacement. (Luszey/Murray): Passed: 11-0

MOTION: Recommend WARRANT ARTICLE N - Establish Library Improvements Capital Reserve Fund. (Luszey/Barnes): Passed: 7-4 (Voting "No": Fernald, Guessferd, McDowell, Trost)

MOTION: Recommend WARRANT ARTICLE O - Ratification of a Contract negotiated between the Town of Hudson Board of Selectmen and the Hudson Police Employees Association for Wage & Benefit Increases. (Luszey/Murray): Passed: 11-0

MOTION: Recommend WARRANT ARTICLE P - Ratification of a Contract negotiated between the Town of Hudson Board of Selectmen and the Hudson Highway Department, AFSCME Local 1801 for Wage & Benefit Increases. (Luszey/Martin): Passed: 11-0

H. Other Business/Comments

Public hearing will be heald on January 11, 2017 at 7:00pm in the Hudson Community Center.

I. Adjournment

With no objections, Chairman Price declared the meeting adjourned at 7:42pm.

Prepared by: Geoff Keegan, Clerk