TOWN OF HUDSON



Budget Committee

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Budget Committee Meeting Minutes June 26, 2014

A. Call to Order

Chairman Shawn Jasper called the meeting to order at 7:31pm.

B. Pledge of Allegiance

Jon Maltz led the Pledge of Allegiance.

C. Attendance

Members Present: Chair Shawn Jasper, Vice-Chair Jonathan Maltz,

Jim Barnes, John Drabinowicz,

Joyce Goodwin, Stephen Nute, Malcolm Price

School Board Liaison Patty Langlais

Selectman Liaison Pat Nichols

Members Absent: Randy Brownrigg (excused), Geoffrey Keegan (excused)

D. Public Input

None provided.

E. Discussion with School District regarding Special Education

Superintendent Bryan Lane and Director of Special Services Jeannie Saunders provided a review of the Special Education process. Each individual who is referred to Special Education is evaluated for eligibility to receive services, and if determined to be eligible an Individual Education Plan (IEP) is developed.

Two laws govern Special Education expenditures

- 1. Federal law Individuals with Disabilities Special Education Act (IDEA)
- 2. New Hampshire rules for education of children with disabilities

The Hudson School District attempts to provide most services within the District as that is more cost effective than having to transport the individual out of district for the service. Currently the overall spending by the Hudson School District for Special Education is approximately \$13M.

F. Review of Board of Selectman budget actions resulting from default budget

Kathy Carpentier provided an overview of the line item transfers that are being made within the Default Budget that is in effect for FY2015.

At the request of the Committee, Kathy will post the three page summary of the FY2015 Town Budget to the Budget Committee web page.

G. Acceptance of Minutes

1. May 8, 2014 – John Drabinowicz moved to accept the minutes from April 26, 2014. Joyce Goodwin seconded the motion.

Vote: Motion passed 8 – 0 – 1. Pat Nichols abstained.

H. Other Business Comments

The next Budget Committee meeting will be on the third Thursday in August at 7:30pm. The Committee will review the year end spending data for FY 2014 at that time. There will be no meeting in July.

School facility tours for interested Committee members will be planned prior to the August meeting. Town facility tours will be planned for September.

I. Adjournment

Chairman Jasper declared the meeting to be adjourned at 8:53pm.

June 26, 2014 Jim Barnes. Clerk