

TOWN OF HUDSON

Budget Committee

Shawn Jasper, Chairman · Jonathan Maltz, Vice-Chairman

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Budget Committee Meeting Minutes May 8, 2014

A. Call to Order

Chairman Shawn Jasper called the meeting to order at 7:35pm.

B. Pledge of Allegiance

C. Attendance

Members Present: Chair Shawn Jasper, Vice-Chair Jonathan Maltz, Jim Barnes, John Drabinowicz, Joyce Goodwin, Geoffrey Keegan, Stephen Nute, Malcolm Price
School Board Liaison Patty Langlais
Selectman Liaison Pat Nichols

Members Absent: Randy Brownrigg (excused)

D. Public Input

None provided.

E. School District 3rd quarter review

Superintendent Bryan Lane and Business Administrator Karen Burnell presented information and answered questions about the School District expenditures through the first 3 quarters of the fiscal year.

F. Town 3rd quarter review

Selectman Roger Coutu and Finance Director Kathy Carpentier presented information and answered questions about the Town expenditures through the first 3 quarters of the fiscal year.

G. Discussion of budget format

The budget presentations for next year need to include actuals from the previous year, approved budgeted amounts for FY2014 and FY2015.

Motion: Jon Maltz moved to request the proposed budgets include not only the PDF files but also a CSV file format for all account numbers and amounts in the budgets. John Drabinowicz seconded the motion.

Vote: Motion passed 10 – 0.

John Drabinowicz requested that the School Department provide a 10 year history for class sizes, not just the 5 year data which has been provided in the recent past. This request is the consensus of the Budget Committee.

John Drabinowicz requested that the background and supporting information be added to the upcoming budget presentations. This request is the consensus of the Budget Committee.

Chairman Jasper requested that projected class size, state recommended class size, and teacher info be provided with the budget. This request is the consensus of the Budget Committee.

H. Discussion of items for review over the next few months

The Budget Committee would like to get a better understanding of Special Ed costs and the impacts on the School Budget. The Special Ed Director will be invited to the next Budget Committee meeting to give a presentation.

I. Acceptance of Minutes

1. March 20, 2014 – John Drabinowicz moved to accept the minutes from March 20, 2014. Malcolm Price seconded the motion.

Jon Maltz corrected the draft minutes to note that he had abstained from the election vote for the Vice-Chairman position.

Vote: Motion passed 8 – 0 – 2. Patty Langlais and Pat Nichols abstained.

J. Other Business Comments

The next Budget Committee meeting will be on June 26.

K. Adjournment

Chairman Jasper declared the meeting to be adjourned.

Meeting adjourned at 8:37pm.

May 8, 2014

Jim Barnes.

Clerk