## TOWN OF HUDSON

## **Budget Committee**



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Chairman: Charlotte Schweiss Vice Chairman: Joyce Goodwin

Meeting Minutes of December 18, 2012

Chairman Schweiss called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM

Pledge of allegiance led by: Shawn Jasper

Attendance:

Chairman Charlotte Schweiss

Randy Brownrigg

Shawn Jasper

School Liaison Amy Sousa

Absent:

Vice Chairman Joyce Goodwin

Clerk Jon Maltz

John Drabinowicz (arrived 7:25)

Stuart Schneiderman

Selectman Luszey gave a report on contracts that are being forwarded.

Michael Buczynski

Selectman Liaison Ted Luszey

Stephen Nute

School Liaison Sousa gave a report on contracts that are being forwarded and cuts proposed to cut the tax rate increase to 63 cents per thousand.

Shawn Jasper moved that the Budget Committee request the Board of Selectman's permission to consult with the town attorney to determine if the School Board violated RSA 91-A in determining their proposed budget cuts, seconded by Jon Maltz.

Amy Sousa called for the question. Motion passed unanimously.

\*At the budget committee meeting on 4/18/2013 Mr. Schneiderman testified that he had voted against this motion, but it was not noted by the chair at that time.

Motion to remove the budget from the table in the amount of \$28,849,173 by Selectman Luszey seconded by Amy Sousa, passed unanimously.

Finance Director Kathy Carpentier presented the budgets for the Trustees of the Trust Fund, Cemetery Trustees, and Town Treasurer.

Leo Bernard of the Recycling Committee presented the Recycling Committee budget.

Kathy Carpentier presented the budgets of the Budget Committee, Ethics Committee

Linda Kipness of the Energy Committee presented the Energy Committee budget. Micheal Okeefe of the Cable Committee presented the Cable Committee budget.

Selectman Luszey presented the Hudson Senior and Cable Facility budget.

Shawn Jasper moved to zero out lines 01-4194-5135-206-000, 01-4194-5135-207-000, 01-4194-5135-210-000, 01-4194-5135-224-000, 01-4194-5135-270-000, 01-4194-5135-322-000 and 01-4194-5135-403-000 for a total reduction of \$24,483. Seconded by John Drabinowicz. Motion passed 9-1.

Selectman Luszey moved to add back line 01-4194-5135-270-000 in the amount of \$3,000, and line 01-4194-5135-403-000 in the amount of \$5,000 for a total addition of \$8,000. Seconded by Stuart Schneiderman. Motion passed 6-4.

Recess called at 8:27pm

Committee came back to session at 8:39pm

Police Chief Lavoie, Police Captain Avery and Police Captain Tousignant presented the Police budget.

Recreation Director David Yates presented the Recreation Department budget.

Library Trustee Connie Owen, Library Director Charlie Matthews and Library Trustee Arlene Creeden presented the Library budget.

Selectman Luszey moved to decrease line 04-4550-5060-101-000 from \$375,927 to \$364,978, a decrease of \$10,949, line 04-4550-5060-108-000 from \$45,840 to \$45,002 a decrease of \$838, and line 04-4550-5060-112-000 from \$40,487 to \$39,308 a decease of \$1,179 for a total decrease of \$12,966. Seconded by John Drabinowicz. Motion failed 4-6.

Recess called at 9:38pm

Committee came back to session at 9:47pm

Selectman Luszey presented warrant article E, Communications Equipment and Infrastructure.

Selectman Luszey presented warrant article B, To Construct a Dual Use Senior Center/Cable TV Facility.

Motion to table the budget in the amount of \$28,832,690 made by Selectman Luszey, seconded by Shawn Jasper and passed unanimously.

Motion to adjourn made by Stuart Schneiderman at 10:22 PM, seconded by Michael Buczynski and passed unanimously.