

Minutes: December 15, 2010  
Hudson Municipal Budget Committee

Meeting: Budget Committee: Town of Hudson / Hudson School District

Where: Town Hall – Community Development Room

Date: 12/15/10

Attendees:

Normand Martin (NM)  
Jonathan Maltz (JM)  
Susan Guarino (SG)  
Joyce Goodwin (JG)  
Steve Nute (SN)  
Laura Bisson (LB)  
Ken Massey (KM)  
Charlotte Schweiss (CS)

Thaddeus Luszey (TL)-excused  
John Drabinowicz (JD)-excused  
Michael Buczynski (MB)-excused

1. The meeting was called to order at 7:02 PM.
2. NM led the Pledge of Allegiance
3. JG made a motion to remove from the table the Town of Hudson's Operating Budget in the amount of 28,258,175.00. CS seconded the motion. The motion carried (7-0-0).
4. The Community Development Budget was reviewed. Mark Pearson presented the budget. Questions and answers followed.
5. The Planning Board Budget was reviewed. Mark Pearson presented the budget. Questions and answers followed. There were none.
6. The Zoning Department budget was reviewed. Mark Pearson presented the budget. Questions and answers followed. There were none.
7. The Building Department Budget was reviewed. Mark Pearson presented the budget. Questions and answers followed. There were none.
8. The Zoning Board budget was reviewed. Mark Pearson presented the budget. Questions and answers followed. There were none.
9. Cost Center 4191 budget (IT costs for above) were reviewed. Mark Pearson was there to present. Questions and answers followed. There were none.

10. The Trustees of the Trust Funds' budget was reviewed. It was presented by Kathy Carpentier. Questions and answers followed.
11. The Cemetery Trustees' budget was reviewed. Kathy Carpentier presented the budget. Questions and answers followed.
12. The Supervisors of the Checklist budget was reviewed. Mrs. Cloutier presented the budget. Questions and answers followed.
13. The Cable Committee Budget was reviewed. The budget was presented by Mr. O'Keefe. Mr. O'Keefe explained that the Cable Committee decided to maintain levels funding in this budget to avoid having any revenue shortfall issues. Questions and answers followed.
14. The town Treasurer's budget was reviewed. Kathy Carpentier presented this budget. Questions and answers followed.
15. The Ethics Committee Budget was reviewed. Kathy Carpentier presented the budget. Questions and answers followed.
16. The "Green Team" budget was reviewed. Kathy Carpentier reviewed the budget. Questions and answers followed.
17. The Finance Department budget was reviewed. Kathy Carpentier presented the budget for her cost centers. Questions and answers followed.
18. The Non-Departmental budget for Workman's Compensation Insurance, Liability Insurance etc. was reviewed. The budget was presented by Kathy Carpentier. Questions and answers followed. There were none.
19. The budget for Patriotic Purposes was reviewed. Kathy Carpentier presented this budget. Questions and answers followed. There were none.
20. The budget for Non-Departmental Others was reviewed. Kathy Carpentier presented the budget. Questions and answers followed. There were none.
21. NM referenced the handout that was given out to the Budget Committee members tonight. He made note of the fact that we currently have a tabled motion on the table. KM explained that the BOS met last night to review the request that The Budget Committee had made requesting Fire Chief Murray to come back with an alternative plan to removing the administrative salary item line from his budget. KM reports that Chief Muray brought 4 possible plans to the BOS and plan C was chosen by the BOS. This plan is summarized in the handout give to Budget Committee members tonight. He summarized the plan which included restoring the administrative salary line item in the amount of 100,000.00 and initiating the changes outlined in the handout which would result in an overall reduction of 97,000.18 to the budget. The Committee engaged in a discussion re how best to make motions re the current situation. JG motioned to remove from the table the original motion to add the 100,000.00 in the administrative salary line back into 5710 line item 101. CS seconded the motion. Discussion followed. KM made a motion to amend the motion of the floor and add line items 5710/105 through 5710/237 as indicated in the BOS memo dated December 15<sup>th</sup> 2010 for a net change of plus 2,982.00. Discussion followed and it was determined that this amendment was premature and could not be voted on. NM called for a

vote on the original motion to take off the table the motion to table the amendment to add the amount of 100,000.00 back into the administrative salary line. The motion was approved. NM stated that the motion approved at a previous Budget Committee meeting on December 1, 2010 (to return 100,000.00 back to the Fire department's Administrative salary line) is back on the table. KM moved to amend the motion on the floor by adding the items outlined in the BOS memo to the Budget Committee dated 01/15/2010. This would result in a net increase in the budget of 2982.00. LB seconded the motion. Discussion followed. KM spoke to his motion. The motion carried by unanimous vote in favor. The amended motion was then voted on. The motion passes by unanimous vote in favor.

22. A motion was made by JG to lay the Town of Hudson Operating Budget on the table in the amount of 28,261,157.00. The motion was seconded by LB. The motion carried by a unanimous vote in favor.
23. NM reviewed the upcoming meeting schedule. A motion was made by LB to cancel the 12/21/10 meeting and to cover that meeting's agenda tomorrow evening. JG seconded the motion. The motion carried by a unanimous vote in favor.
24. JG made a motion to adjourn. CS seconded the motion. The motion passed by a unanimous vote in favor.
25. The meeting was adjourned at 7:42 pm.