Minutes: December 13, 2010 Hudson Municipal Budget Committee

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

Where: Town Hall - BOS Meeting Eoom

Date: 12/13/10

Attendees:

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

John Drabinowicz (JD)-absent Michael Buczynski (MB)-excused

- 1. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM.
- 2. NM led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 3. NM made comments on how last week and future meetings have/will be run.
- 4. TL made a motion to remove from the table the Town of Hudson's Operating Budget in the amount of 28,258,175.00. LB seconded the motion. The motion carried (9-0-0).
- 5. The Conservation Committee budget was reviewed. Mr. Quinn presented the budget. He explained the factors that had impact on the budget such as the dedication of funds for specific uses such as land acquisition and easements and well the use of the DASH unit. Questions and answers followed. Mr. Quinn explained the increase in stationary costs was related to their publication of a book on "open spaces".
- 6. The Moderator budget was reviewed. Mr. Inderbitzen presented the budget. He reviewed the upcoming elections and how they would impact the budget. He also discussed the possibility that in the future we may need to buy a new voting machine. There will also be a re-evaluation of the number of voting booths. Mr. Inderbitzen explained his position that the cost of police details is important to keep in the budget. Question and answers followed.
- 7. The Budget Committee budget was presented by NM. Questions and answers followed. There were none.

- 8. The Board of Selectman budget was reviewed. Steve Malizia presented the budget. Questions and answers followed. There were none.
- 9. The Town Hall Operations budget was reviewed. Steve Malizia presented. Questions and answers followed. There were none.
- 10. The Community Center Budget was reviewed. Steve Malizia presented. Questions and answers followed. There were none.
- 11. The Town Poor budget was reviewed. Steve Malizia presented. He reviewed the line item reduction by the BOS of from 128,900 to 120,900 that was made possible by a donation. Questions and answers followed. There were none.
- 12. The Legal budget was reviewed. Steve Malizia presented the budget. Questions and answers followed.
- 13. The Hydrant Rental budget was reviewed. Steve Malizia presented the budget. Questions and answers followed. There were none.
- 14. The Community Grants budget was reviewed. Steve Malizia presented the budget. Questions and answers followed.
- 15. The Recreation Budget was reviewed. Dave Yates presented the budget. Questions and answers followed.
- 16. The Benson Park Committee budget reviewed. The budget was presented by Mr. Schibanoff (Chairman) and Shawn Jasper (BOS Representative). Questions and answers followed. JM made a motion in line item 5063230 to strike the figure 100.00 and replace with 100.00. The motion was seconded by NM. Discussion followed. The motion failed (2-7-0).
- 17. The Benson Park Operations budget was reviewed. The budget was presented by Mr. Schibanoff and Shawn Jasper. Questions and answers followed.
- 18. A motion was made by TL to lay on the table the Town of Hudson Operating Budget in the amount of 28,258,175.00. SN seconded the motion. The motion passed (9-0-0).
- 19. A motion was made by TL to adjourn. The motion was seconded by SN. The motion passed (9-0-0).
- 20. The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 PM.