

November 29, 2016 Draft

- ⌘ **Members Present:** Fred Platts, Donna Duquette, Doug Benton, Ken Hall, William Hall, Lori Mead,
- ⌘ **Alternate Members Present:** Michael Provost,
- ⌘ **Absent:** , Ronald Maclean, Fred Platts, Harold Platts

Selectmen: George Tuthill, Robert Piehler, Michael Broome
Administrative Assistant: Jennifer Dostie

The meeting came to order at 6:10 p.m.

⌘ Business

Budgets presented:

The Budget Committee met with the Selectmen and reviewed the following budgets:

Executive budget

Equipment expenditures were reduced to 2,000.00 to bring budget to 69,200.00. Budget increased by \$50.00 no discussion

Town Meeting

This budget increased by \$10.00 no discussion followed.

Election Administration

2017 budget reduced to \$1,600 due to fewer elections during calendar year 2017.

Audit

2017 Budget increased from \$14,500 in 2016 to \$16,350. 2016 expenses were increased due to a review required due to the vacancy in the Town Clerk and Tax collectors office.

Property Appraisal

2017 budget will be \$14,906 which is a reduction from 2016 of 59,300.00. There is a contract with Avitar Associates of New England that will require a monthly payment of \$882 per month from 1/1/2018 to 12/31/2020. There will be monthly charges \$4,816 in 2021.

Legal Expenses

Legal expenses for the 2017 budget will be \$34,200 from \$27,600 in 2016. Current expenditures are at \$29,025.45. The monthly retainer could go to \$1,750 from \$1,500 during 2017.

General Government Buildings

The 2017 budget is listed at \$37,350 from \$37,910.00.

Property Liability Insurance

Budget will go from \$17,500 in 2016 to \$22,700. The 2017 will include the Fire Department and is held with Primex.

Regional Associations

The 2017 budget will increase to \$21,115 from \$20,753.00. Lakes Region Fire Aid is listed at 18,118.00.

Tax Mapping

2017 budget is the same as 2016.

Ambulance Service

2017 budget increased to \$53,040.01 from \$42,500.00.

Fire Department

2017 budget is at \$47,650 from \$42,200.

Forest Fires

2017 budget remained at \$2,500.00

Bridges

2017 budget is \$30,000 the same as 2016.00

Street Lighting

2017 budget is \$30,000 unchanged from \$2016.

Health Agencies

2017 budget increased to \$26,556 from \$21,453.00 in 2016.

Welfare Assistance

2017 budget is at \$20,000 the same level as 2016.

Parks and Recreation

2017 budget is at \$33,575.00. Increase is due to Wellington State Park. Town charges for the Annual pass funds go to the general fund.

**Motion to adjourn made by Ken Hall and second by Mike Provost. All members in favor.
Meeting adjourned at 7:15 PM**

- Next meeting will be on December 6, 2017.

Respectfully Submitted,

D.Benton