

Budget Committee Meeting Thursday December 14, 2017

Minutes:

The meeting commenced at 6:05 pm. Committee members present Lori Mead Chair, Mike Provost, deputy Chairmen, Ed Skroback, Donna Duquette, Rob Duquette, Not present, William Hall, and Fred Platts.

No select board members present, The Selectmen's Administrative Assistant Jennifer Dosti present.

The Minutes from the Budget Committee meeting on Thursday November 30TH 2017 were distributed and read. Ed Strobback made a motion to accept the minutes, second by Donna Duquette, all in favor, yeas.

First order of business was to confirm and to remind Committee members the final Budget Hearing with the Selectmen and public will be held on Tuesday January 9, 2018 at the Old Town Hall Building, starting at 6:00pm.

Distributed by Jennifer was the "Final Budget Worksheet" all categories and departments were gone over with questions and answers by Mrs. Dosti.

Alexandria Police Department, the Budget Committee recommended the request for the increase for the Lease of a new Cruiser for the Chief rather than putting monies in the repair of the old cruiser. Final discussions on the figure for increased pay rise for the Chief and Patrolman. The committee agreed to approve the Selectmen's recommended budget for the department.

Alexandria's Highway Department, after some discussion the Budget committee did approve and recommend the Selectmen's recommended budget with the increase of a 5% pay raise for the Labor force and the salary of the Road Agent.

Under the "Health Agencies" the Budget Committee did not recommend the donations for two new requests. CASA, Court appointed Special Advocate for \$500.00 and the Tyler Blain House for \$300.00. \$800.00 less than the figure the Selectmen recommended.

All of the other Town's Departments budget requests and recommendations from the selectmen were verbally approved and checked off by the Budget Committee.

At 7:15 pm. Donna Duquette made a motion to adjourn, seconded by ED Skroback all in favor, yeas.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Michael Provost