Town of Alexandria, NH
Budget Committee
Meeting notes
11/27/2023

Meeting called to order at 6:10 PM

Committee members present; Don Paiva, Cindy Williams, Doug Benton, Mike Provost, Ed Skrobak, George Tuthill selectmens representative. Also in attendance was Jennifer Dostie.

Mike made a motion to accept the minutes from the last meeting, 11/14/23, as submitted. Ed second the motion all were in favor.

Committee reviewed the budget request by department. It was decided for this meeting to table discussions regarding the proposed pay increases as well as the insurance plan for 2024. Regarding pay increases George did ask the committee what their thoughts were on the proposed increases for the police department. Don indicated that the committee had collected some information from surrounding towns as well as information from the state on competitive pay scales. However the committee was not ready to make a recommendation.   Question arose about a proposed substantial increase in the custodial pay. George and Jennifer indicated that was due to proposed increase in hours worked.

Cindy had a question in regarding the requirements for tax mapping, Jennifer explained what was required.

It was noted the town still had not received a donation request from LRVNA. The assumption is that they will be requesting $13,000 like they have the last several years.

The committee asked George and Jennifer if it was possible to break out the highway/transfer stations supervisor pay in order to reflect the true cost of running each department. George said it was something they could look into.

Doug handed out a report from the Newfound Area School District 2024-2025 budget presentation.

Cindy handed out some comparative insurance information from surrounding towns. Don asked the committee members to review before our next meeting

The next budget committee meeting is scheduled for Dec. 12th, 6:00 pm

Cindy made a motion to adjourn at 7:20 pm, Doug second the motion, all in favor.

Minutes respectfully submitted,
Don Paiva