

Joint Meeting of the Budget Committee and the Board of Selectmen  
February 2, 2012

Roll Call

BOS: Mike Moynahan, Jack Murphy, Dutch Dunkleberger, Roberta Place, Roland Fernald

BC: Noah Lemire, John Reed, Rebecca Davis

Absent: Ron Cooper, Jeff Pelkey, Ed Strong, Bill Jacques

Fire

- Will be adding \$600 to contract fees for fire alarm monitoring
- Wish to upgrade hot water system in FD; trying to get grants
  - May also want to act on other energy upgrades
- telephone Line item includes rental of Fiber optic radio lines
- BC would like to see past actual spending data
- \$35421 currently in Fire truck reserve
- Due to new rules, will have to replace all gear in next three years
  - 37 Coats, 34 pants. \$800/coat, \$700/pants
- Area fire chiefs trying to come to consensus on group gear purchase
- May be major Grant opportunities for gear replacement
- FD roof needs replacement, may be able to slide a year or two

Police

- Added in fringe benefit line per BC request
- Corrected double appropriation for training
  - Somehow line item was doubled from chief's request to the actual warrant
- Should be able to live within \$55000 OT budget
- Did not know if fringe line included OT
- Potentially look at reserve officers/sharing officers
  - Reserve officer have less training
  - Chief has less supervisory control over borrowed officers/deputies
- Lengthy discussion of staffing and shift coverage
  - department below national average for number of officers
  - should have 12-14 people for caseload
  - chief feels it would be unsafe to reduce coverage
  - need to have someone on the road all the time
- achieved significant savings on phone/internet by bundling, 50 % savings
- vehicles have between 35000 and 45000 miles put on each year
  - have plan for replacement as time goes on
  - will likely go used on next truck zie

-discussed maintenance on Humvee, chief says no town funds went into procurement/fitting out

-only has normal operating costs that every car has  
-discussion of asking sheriff's department for help

Next Joint meeting will be decided upon by email

Next regular Budget committee meeting 2/14/12 at 1830

Adjournment at 2020

Respectfully Submitted,

Noah Lemire, Secretary