Eliot Budget Committee Meeting

February 8, 2016 Meeting

Members present: Donna Murphy (Chair), Brad Hughes, Dennis Lentz, Phil Lytle, Jim Tessier,

Dan Mannschreck and Ed Strong (via Skype)

Public attendance; 0 people

Video streaming for details was utilized.

Call to Order

Meeting was called to order @6:05 PM by the Chair

<u>Minutes</u>

Minutes of the 2/1/16 meeting were deferred until next meeting. Agreed by consensus.

Public Comment

No members of the public were present.

<u>Misc.</u>

• Jim Tessier brought to the committee's attention the ongoing need to propose improvements to the budget process as well as the budget itself, and working with the Town Manager to ensure the process continues to progress in a positive manner.

Review and discussion of the Department of Public Works Transfer Station Budget

- Brad Hughes presented a memo for committee to review relative to TS wage & benefits.
- Requested budget appears to be higher than calculated hrs. x average wage by \$31k.
- MSW tonnage was questioned, seemed high. Jim Tessier will check
- Revenue is not reflective of the cost in certain circumstances
- Questions were formulated and documented to clear up multiple discussion items

Review and discussion of CIP Budget

• Jim Tessier proposed a philosophical change in the way we budget for Police cruisers. Jim was asked to document the proposal to be reviewed at the next meeting.

Additional

• Reviewed/agreed on calendar of February Meetings;

Agenda Items for February 22nd Meeting

It was agreed to review the budgets; continuance of CIP, Town committees, Fixed assessments

Adjournment at 9:15pm

Chair accepted a motion to adjourn by Ed Strong, 2nd by, Dan Mannschreck, vote 6/0.

Respectfully submitted Dennís F. Lentz, Secretary Date Approved: 02/22/2016

Donna Murphy, Chair