



Town of Griswold

Board of Finance
Special Meeting
February 25, 2016
7:00 PM

Town Hall Meeting Room
APPROVED MINUTES



1. Roll Call/Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM

Board of Finance Members Present:

Scott Davis - Chairman
Brian Baker – Vice Chairman
Peter Dorff
Gary Levy
G. Rooke-Norman
Dan Webster
J. Wolkowski

Also Present:

Erik Christensen, Director of Finance
Jeannette Bell, Recording Secretary
Tina Falck, Senior Center Director
Robert Hanson, Chief Jewett City Fire Department
Tom Holowaty, Chief Griswold Fire Department
Richard Grabowski, Tax Collector
Evelyn Spagnolo, Assessor
Todd Babbitt, Public Works Director
3 Other People

2. New Business

a) Discussion and possible action on the Fiscal Year 16-17 Budget.

1303-Assessor – E. Spagnolo outlined the Assessor budget. **5110 Overtime** is decreased by \$500 due to the fact there is now an Assistant Assessor in place. **5202D – Meetings** are increased due to certifications required. **9201- Transfer to Revaluation Fund** decreased by \$10,000. E. Spagnolo stated for the most part the rest of the line items were unchanged. She also stated the Grand List would be completed next week.

4102-Senior Center – T. Falck outlined the Senior Center budget. **5101G – Senior Center Director** was increased due to the fact that **5120C Municipal Agent** was zeroed and now included with the Director line item. E. Christensen stated that this was subject to negotiation with the Union. **5120 – Contractual Temp and Occ** was increased for night programming coverage. **5110 – Overtime** was also increased for after hours coverage as well. **5202 – Meetings and Dues** was added to this department which was previously coming out of the Selectman budget. **5238 – Gasoline Fuel and Fluids** was decreased by \$1,000 due to usage

amounts.

2201- Emergency Services – T. Holowaty outlined the GVFD Budget. After stating the Board of Selectman had asked for no more than a 2% increase in the overall budget his major concern was the amount for retention. **5517 – Retention GVFD** – T. Holowaty had originally asked for \$50,000 to which the Selectman reduced to \$47,500. He would like to see that increased back to the \$50,000 originally requested. R. Hanson outlined the JCVFD budget and was in agreement with T. Holowaty and would like to see the additional Retention money added back.

1302 – Tax Collector – G. Levy recused himself at 7:55. R. Grabowski outlined the department budget. **5145- Health Insurance** was increased due to R. Grabowski retiring and a family plan needs to be budgeted in not knowing who will be appointed to the position. G. Levy returned at 8:05.

3201 – Highway Department – T. Babbitt outlined the department budget. **5102 – Director of Public Works** increased by \$4,508. **5101- Regular Full Time Payroll** - Todd explained that he had put in for a full time light duty truck driver. The Board of Selectman had eliminated this request and instead increased the funding for the seasonal maintainer. **5700 – Equipment Repairs and Purchases** increased \$5,000. **5711M – Road Signage** - increased \$1,000 as well. All other line items remained about the same.

3204- Waste Disposal – T. Babbitt outlined the department budget. **5422 – Resource Recovery Authority** decreased by \$10,000. **5425A – Tipping Fees** decreased by \$2,000.

1801 – Town Hall Maintenance – T. Babbitt outlined the department budget. The department budget basically was unchanged.

1802 – Pachaug Town Hall Maintenance – T. Babbitt outlined the department budget. The department budget remained the same.

1803 – Highway Garage Maintenance – The total budget increased by \$100.

- 3.) **Adjournment: MOTION:** G. Levy made a motion that was seconded by P. Dorff to adjourn. There was no discussion. All in favor; Motion carried. S. Davis adjourned the meeting at **8:00PM.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Recording Secretary
Jeannette Bell