

Town of Seymour  
Board of Finance

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Minutes

Budget Deliberation Meeting  
Thursday, February 5, 2015 at 7:00pm  
Norma Drummer Room, Seymour Town Hall

**Members Present:** Rich Grudzias, Beverly Kennedy, Heather McDaniel, Bill Sawicki, John Stelma; Jim Cretella, Jake Holly (alternates)

**Members Absent:** David Bitso, Ed Wasikowski

**Others Present:** Police Chief Michael Metzler, Lucy McConalogue, and Paul Satkowski

**Item #1 – Call Meeting to order**

Chairman Bill Sawicki called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

Motion was made to move the venue to the Police Station because of a broken sewer pipe in the Town Hall.

Motion: Rich Grudzias                      Second: Heather McDaniel  
Yes: 7                      No: 0                      Abstain: 0

Motion to reopen meeting at Police Station.

Motion: Rich Grudzias                      Second: Beverly Kennedy  
Yes: 7                      No: 0                      Abstain: 0

**Item #2 – Pledge of Allegiance**

Everyone saluted the Flag and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Item #3 – Deliberation and Discussion of 2015/2016 Budget**

The Board of Finance discussed the following department's budget:

- ❖ Services to the Elderly – this was a tentative budget – best guess on salaries (negotiated); no raises for two years; First Selectman wanted to leave in the part time position; not sure what will happen with the restructuring; want to open up activities to more age groups in the community.
- ❖ Police Department
  - Salaries are negotiated
  - 41 Total Officers
  - Other Purchased Services – changing security vendor to the same as the school system
  - K9 – same this year – will be getting a second dog through a private donation (including car)
  - Communications – more needed here due to the additional cameras around town and the fish ladder area
  - Capital Expenditures
    - Working with Communications Commission on simulcast
    - Radios – need an additional \$25,000 to upgrade radios
    - Body Cameras – not sure about this – lots of additional costs for storage, etc., and security concerns (hackers, etc.)

- Parking area – need more spaces
- Bulletproof vests
- Painting – a few more areas left
- Thermal Imaging Cameras – for next year – look into possible grants
- Income - \$52,000 projected but so far received over \$60,000 (January)
- Insurance – there will be increases because of car replacement

**Item #4– Adjournment**

Meeting was adjourned at 7:46pm.

Submitted by:

***Monica Dimon***

***Recording Secretary***