

Town of Seymour
Board of Finance

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Minutes

Budget Deliberation Meeting
Monday, February 23, 2015 at 7:00pm
Norma Drummer Room, Seymour Town Hall

Members Present: David Bitso, Rich Grudzias, Beverly Kennedy, Bill Sawicki, John Stelma, Ed Wasikowski, Jim Cretella (alternate)

Members Absent: Heather McDaniel

Others Present: Scott Andrews, Bill Paecht, Dennis Rozum, Doug Thomas, and Sean Walsh

Item #1 – Call Meeting to order

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

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:

- ❖ Seymour Ambulance
 - Mostly contractual obligations
 - \$3,500 line item in Repairs & Maintenance - a/c unit needs replacement
 - Electric and heating costs are on a cost sharing program with the town
 - Contract for paramedic \$30,900
 - Last year eliminated bundle billing – enough time hasn't passed for us to make a determination as to the effects of that
 - Board secretary fees – duplicate with EMS Oversight Committee
- ❖ Planning & Zoning – same as last year
- ❖ Parks
 - Seasonal supplies – flags/flagpole (received a donation)/ Christmas lights
 - Repairs & Maintenance – outside person to service/maintain the skate park (\$8,000)
 - Parks will maintain the Fish Ladder
- ❖ Public Works
 - Overtime and snow materials – using a five year average; overtime have contractual obligations
 - Replacement of vehicles – better to lease these; turn over every five years; this way we can plan better; line item will be put in First Selectman's budget
 - Doug Thomas will re-run the Public Works budget – the overtime used figures are not correct
 - Storm water monitoring permit (NEW) – not included in this budget. Doug Thomas will find out if we need to include a line item for this in the budget here.
 - Wording should be "Stormwater Compliance"
 - Bill Sawicki asked if the staffing number is sufficient – should we put in for additional summer help? Could use more people with the additional workload of maintaining the school fields.

Item #4- Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 8:10pm.

Submitted by:

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Recording Secretary