Budget Committee May 14, 2018 Meeting Minutes

Present:

Chair- Rob Glassett, Dave Carr, Scott Sanschagrin, Walter Waring, Les Dion, Janet Cavanagh, John Sellers, Bob Emerson, Betsy Schneider, Paul Simard, Shaun Lagueux.

Absent: Joe Caristi

Others Present: Eric Rouille

Call to Order:

Committee Chair Rob Glassett called the meeting to order at 6:30pm.

Review and Approval of Minutes:

Rob Glassett asked the committee to review the minutes from the last meeting. Scott Sanschagrin made a motion to accept the minutes of April 23, 2018 as written, seconded by Walter Waring. The committee voted **6 in favor – 3 abstained – 0 opposed** in favor of the motion.

Correspondence:

Rob Glassett passed out the flyer for the Kelley Park Design Charrette. Les Dion spoke about the happenings for this weekend at Kelley Park.

New Members for Committee:

Rob Glasset said we only had one new member apply for the open position on the board. Eric spoke to say that he lives here and works here his children go to school here he would like to be more involved. Shaun Lagueux motioned to approve Eric Rouille to be the new member of the board seconded by Walter Waring. The Committee voted **10 in favor – 0 abstained – 0 opposed** in favor of the motion.

By Law Discussion:

Rob Glassett asked if there was any discussion on the by Laws he said that no changes had been made to the by-laws. John Sellers asked if the committee just re adopts them. Rob Glassett said yes and he also mentioned that in March there would be 6 openings on the committee and if anyone wanted to be on the committee they would need to re-apply based on presidance. Betsy Schneider said the residents voted for certain members this is going to be confusing for the voters. Les Dion suggested having Raymah look into this so that it is being done correctly. Bob Emerson entered the meeting at 6:45. Shaun Lagueux also stated that we should have a public comment section it would be good if we did that the board agreed. Rob Glassett said as long as the members didn't have a problem with it that it will be on the agendas. Sean Lagueux motioned to adopt the by-laws as written and presented, seconded by John Sellers. The committee voted **12 in favor – 0 abstained – 0 opposed** in favor of the motion.

New Business:

Rob Glassett wanted to discuss the schedule for meetings this year. He said our next meeting is scheduled for June 11, 2018. I don't see that we have anything for June, July or August right now. However if we do get something we can always have a meeting. He also said he would encourage all

members to reach out to the department heads to see how they work. They are very open to meeting with us. Janet Cavanagh said it was an eye opener for her to meet with all of them. Betsy Schneider asked if anyone felt we could get some of this done over the summer. Rob Glassett said that would be difficult since the budgets aren't ready and we wouldn't know what the departments need. Paul Simard said that in the past we met with the department heads separate from the Select board to get an idea of what they need. Rob Glassett said he could see the value in that we have about 8 departments. Shaun Lagueux said he thought we could do that in September with Police, Fire, and Highway the big departments. Rob Glassett said that we have the September meeting which is usually the welcome back meeting and he would also like to have the member's emails and phone numbers for contact information. He will do a spreadsheet and give it to all of the members. He also said if any member had a question for the town administration to funnel them through him so it would be easier.

Member Comments:

John Sellers asked if Bob can make a column for expenditures and revenues so we can see what the line items are and where they are coming from. Dave Carr would like to change the policy to be able to take the books home so we can study them. Wendy could just give us the inserts and we can put them in our book. Rob Glassett said he would talk with Wendy about it she can just put the new paperwork in a folder and I can pass them out. Betsy Schneider said so we will not be meeting in June, July or August unless something comes up.

Select Board Comments:

There were no comments.

Staff Comments:

There were no comments.

Adjournment:

Betsy Schneider motioned to adjourn, seconded by John Sellers the motion passed with all in favor. The meeting ended at 7:25 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Kathleen Vogan, Secretary