

Town of Alton  
Town Hall Meeting Room  
Budget Committee Meeting  
November 12, 2014  
Minutes

Approved November 13, 2014

**I. Call to Order 6:40pm**

**II. Pledge of Allegiance**

**III. Roll Call**

Andy McLeod, Chairman  
Ruth Messier, Member  
Steve Miller, School Board Representative  
John Markland, Member  
Terence O'Rourke, Member  
Lou Lacourse, Selectmen's Representative  
Roger Nelson, Vice Chairman

Other Attendees:

E. Russell Bailey, Town Administrator  
Lisa Noyes, Town Clerk  
Scott Simonds, Solid Waste  
Scott Williams, Fire Chief, Fire Department  
Mary Jane Driscoll, Fire Department

**IV. Approval of Agenda**

**R. Nelson motioned to approve the agenda as presented and was seconded by L. Lacourse and passed with all in favor.**

**V. Public Input**

None  
Public Input I closed

**VI. New Business**

Review of Town Budget

**Town Clerk – Lisa Noyes**

The Tax Collector will be combined with the Town Clerk's office. Nine months of the Tax Collector budget was placed under the proposed Town Clerk's budget.

The Committee reviewed, asked questions and discussed the proposed budget.

**Tax Collector – E. Russell Bailey**

R. Bailey provided the Committee with an update on the Tax Collector's Budget.

The Committee reviewed, asked questions and discussed the proposed budget.

S. Miller asked R. Bailey to provide the Committee with the total number of days that are available for sick leave buy back that have not been used and what the total payout amount would be.

#### **Elections – Lisa Noyes**

The Committee reviewed, asked questions and discussed the proposed budget.

#### **Solid Waste – Scott Simonds**

The Committee reviewed, asked questions and discussed the proposed budget.

#### **Fire Department – Scott Williams**

S. Williams provided the Committee with a summary report.

The Committee reviewed, asked questions and discussed the proposed budget.

Break taken at 8:25 pm  
Meeting resumed 8:30 pm

R. Bailey provided the Committee with a handout detailing the proposed Benefits Budget noting that the Health Care costs decreased 1.2% or around \$80,000.00.

The Committee reviewed, asked questions and discussed the proposed budget.

#### **General Government – R. Bailey**

The Committee reviewed, asked questions and discussed the proposed budget.

The warrant articles are scheduled for December 2<sup>nd</sup> and December 3<sup>rd</sup> and the vote on the town budget will be on the December 9<sup>th</sup> and December 11<sup>th</sup>.

The next meeting will be held on November 13, 2014 at 6:30pm in the Town Hall Meeting Room.

#### **VII. Public Input II**

None

Public Input II closed

#### **VIII. Old Business**

Review and approve meeting minutes of November 5, 2014.

**J. Markland motioned to accept the Budget Committee Meeting Minutes of November 5, 2014 as presented and was seconded by R. Nelson with all in favor.**

**IX. Other Business**

J. Markland requested a copy of the Town Policies and a description of the \$1.00 town budget lines. R. Bailey will provide the information to the Committee.

**X. Adjournment**

**R. Messier motioned to adjourn the meeting at 9:10 pm and was seconded by R. Nelson with all in favor.**

Adjourned 9:10 pm

Respectfully submitted,



Peggy Hawksley  
Budget Committee Secretary

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