

Pownal Budget Committee

April 22, 2015

MINUTES

Present: Andy Wyatt, John Green, Carlene Harvey, Kim Best

Excused: Jan Pieter van Voorst van Beest, Kathy Hogue

1. Andy called the meeting to order, 7:03pm.
2. Minutes of the March 25th meeting were approved: 4Y, 0N, 1A
3. No public comment.
4. No Selectmen's input.
5. Presentation of proposed budgets
 - a. Cemetery Commission – Greg Vosmus presented for the commission. Their budget request is \$2000 again this year – expenses are projected at \$2800 this year.
 - b. Public Safety – has an increase of 1.24% (? 1.01%) excluding the proposed alarm system installation - alarm system install on different article. Alarm System required(? Strongly suggested) by insurance company. Increases due to monitoring of alarm system, state mandate to carry Narcam, and need for more fire extinguishers.
 - c. Mallett Hall – has a decrease of 1.49%. Large ticket item this year – repair/rebuild of wheelchair ramp at a total cost of \$37000. \$18K from CPF and \$5700 from a grant
 - d. Capital Projects – asking for flat funding again this year as they phase in the plan created over the last few years. Possible expenditures for this year: Fire Alarm for Public Safety, One Ton for Public Works, Exhaust System for Public Safety (this may not be ready for warrant.
 - e. Compensation
 - f. Public Works – has an increase of .93% however the garage furnace may need repair or possible replacement.
 - g. Solid Waste – has an increase of 1.51% due in large part to increase tipping fees, but also modest increases will be seen in: hauler charges, and bag production.
6. NEXT MEETING: Wednesday, May 6th, 7:00pm.

Meeting adjourned: 9:04pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Carlene Harvey