

North Berwick Budget Committee Minutes
March 3, 2014
6:30 p.m.

Present: Maurice Dolbec, David Bentley, Lynn Manley, Steven Dumont, Christopher Rosen, Julie Fernee, Barry Abbott, Michael Johnson, Sr., Lendell Quint, Anne Plant, and Craig Linscott.

Also Present: Stacey Bradburn, Beth Sweet, Meleta Baker, Jeff Fournier, Amber Fournier, Alice Purlington, Ginny Reusch, Kristie Michaud, Aimee Metz-Jordan, Lincoln Harrison, Heather Eastman, Laurienne Missud Martin, Tad Redway, Shawn Works, Joe Yumas, Tom Littlefield, Marianne Goodine, Dan Dubois, Gregg Drew and Dwayne Morin

Chairman Abbott opened the meeting at 6:30 p.m.

Chairman Abbott led the Committee in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Review of Committee Recommendations:

Dwayne presented the committee with meeting minutes for the previous meeting. Chris moved to accept the minutes as amended, Dave seconded, Vote 11-0 in favor.

Public Input:

There was no Public Input.

Library Article:

Chairman Abbott read Article 32 regarding *Library Appropriations* of \$210,804.00 along with the Board of Selectmen/Town Manager Recommendation. It was moved by Dave and seconded by Chris ought to pass \$210,804.00. After Discussion it was moved by Dave and seconded by Maurice to amend recommend \$209,610.00. Vote 11-0 in favor.

Chairman Abbott read Article 33 regarding *Library Capital Improvement – Library Parking Lot* of \$12,000.00 along with the Board of Selectmen/Town Manager Recommendation. It was moved by Maurice and seconded by Chris ought to pass \$12,000.00 from Undesignated Fund Balance. Vote 11-0 in favor.

Parks and Recreation Articles

Chairman Abbott read Article 28 regarding *Parks and Recreation Appropriation* of \$108,440.00 along with the Board of Selectmen/Town Manager Recommendation. It was moved by Dave and seconded by Maurice ought to pass \$108,440.00; \$5,000.00 from Undesignated Fund Balance plus fees as follows:

Parks and Recreation Commission	\$74,375.00
Community Center	\$24,065.00
Mill Field Operation:	\$5,000.00
Mill Field Festival	<u>\$5,000.00</u>
Total	\$108,440.00

Vote 11-0 in favor.

Chairman Abbott read Article 29 regarding *Capital Improvement – Mill Field* of \$25,000.00 along with the Board of Selectmen/Town Manager Recommendation. Dwayne informed the Board that the request was being reduced to \$15,000.00. It was moved by Maurice and seconded by Chris ought to pass \$15,000.00 from Undesignated Fund Balance. Vote 10-0-1 in favor.

Cemetery Articles

Chairman Abbott read **Article 30** regarding ***Cemetery Trustees Appropriation*** of \$19,200.00 along with the Board of Selectmen/Town Manager Recommendation. It was moved by Maurice and seconded by Chris ought to pass \$19,200.00. After discussion it was moved by Maurice and seconded by Chris ought to pass \$13,200.00. Vote 11-0 in favor.

Outside Agency Articles

Chairman Abbott read **Article 31** regarding ***Historical Society Appropriation*** of \$8,700.00 along with the Board of Selectmen/Town Manager Recommendation. It was moved by Maurice and seconded by Chris ought to pass, \$8,700.00 with \$6,000.00 from Undesignated Fund Balance. Vote 11-0 in favor.

Chairman Abbott read **Article 35** regarding ***Outside Agency Appropriation*** of \$4,609.00 along with the Board of Selectmen/Town Manager Recommendation. It was moved by Chris and Seconded by Maurice to table this article until the March 10, 2014 meeting to receive clarification on the American Legion funding. Vote 11-0

Chairman Abbott read **Article 39** regarding ***Eastern Trail Appropriation*** of \$3,500.00 along with the Board of Selectmen/Town Manager Recommendation. It was moved by Maurice and seconded by Chris ought to pass, \$3,500.00. Tad Redway, President of the Eastern Trail Management District provided a presentation to the Committee. Following the presentation and much discussion, Chairman Abbott called for a vote on the issue. Vote 0-10-1, vote fails.

Social Service Article

Chairman Abbott read **Article 34** regarding ***Social Service Appropriation*** of \$24,641.00 along with the Board of Selectmen/Town Manager Recommendation. It was moved by Maurice and seconded by Chris ought to pass \$24,641.00. It was decided by the Committee to vote on each Social Service Agency independently and the result of the vote on each Social Service Agency is as follows:

<u>Agency</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Vote in favor</u>
Caring Unlimited	\$1,373.00	11-0
Visiting Nurse Service	\$6,318.00	11-0
York County Community Action	\$2,250.00	11-0
Southern Maine Agency on Aging	\$3,300.00	11-0 Reduced from \$3,500.00
York Cty. Child Abuse	\$600.00	11-0
Counseling Services, Inc.	\$3,000.00	11-0
York County Shelters	\$2,100.00	11-0
York Cty Parent Awareness	\$250.00	11-0
Red Cross	\$2,000.00	7-4 Reduced from \$4,000.00
Woodfords	\$500.00	10-1
Seacoast Aids	\$750.00	10-1
Total	\$22,441.00	

Adjournment

It was moved by Dave and seconded by Chris to adjourn at 9:07 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dwayne G. Morin
Town Manager