

Greenville Board of Selectmen
Minutes of the Budget Meeting
October 3, 2007

Members present: Debbie Bouley, Scott Blease

Finance Committee Members present: Tom Barrett, Rick Miller, Shirley Winslow

Meeting opened at 7:00 p.m.

Budget review per department by the Board of Selectmen and the Finance Committee:

Treasurer

Present: Zebadiah Kellogg-Roe

2008 proposed budget of Treasurer at \$5,765 was reviewed. There was 3% cost of living increase on salary line. Supplies line was significantly decreased from \$2,000 to \$100. This year he did not use the software from BMSI since this software did not work for check reconciliation. Instead, he is using Quicken software which works better.

Zebadiah reported the Town received a better interest rate on the money in the accounts as he negotiated with the bank. He also expressed his concern about the damage on the brick memorial plaque in front of the Town Hall. He would like to see if something could be done to fix or redo it.

Health Officer

Present: Brenda Bergeron

The Health Officer's budget was reviewed. Brenda told the Board she took the position as a Health Officer to provide a community service to the Town. She does not look at it as a job as the pay is only \$150 a year, she stated she does not want to be paid. The Board and the Finance Committee are considering whether money should be set aside in the event that some properties need to be cleaned. The Town will be reimbursed when the lien is placed on the property, although they fully understand that the process could be timely. Brenda has a few properties that she mentioned, and she would like to see what the results are before the decision is made to fund this line item.

Brenda also mentioned she would like to have a copy of the Trash By-Law sent out to Greenville residents by attaching it to the inventory tax in the beginning of next year, which would be no additional cost to the Town.

She would get back to the Board and let them know the results of the properties she is working on.

Library

Present: Marshall Buttrick, Jean Lambert

Two budgets were submitted. Marshall told the Board to use his budget. Marshall was asking 2.5 % increase in salaries line. The Board questioned how this line adds up to 4%. He also requested if the decision is to give 3% increase, he would like that consideration as well. Marshall explained he rounded the number and there is \$1,000 more in this line to give them flexibility for unexpected expenses since all other line items are tight.

Patriotic Purposes

There were no changes on the 2008 proposed budget of Patriotic Purposes.

Timber

Charles Buttrick did not attend.

Charles Buttrick submitted the 2008 budget showed remains the same as last year.

Other Business

S. Blease commented on the amount of time spend on the dog kennels and the number of personnel used to work on them.

S. Blease questioned why the cars are still in the Town's parking lot on Main Street and the barriers are still not in place, which should have been done already. The Board asked E. FitzGerald to inform the Police Chief and D. Heywood that they want this to be done tomorrow.

Motion made by S. Blease, seconded by D. Bouley to have the Highway Department hours go back from four days a week to five days a week, in observance of the Fall/Winter season upon us. All in favor.

The Budget Committee wanted to move up the Highway Department schedule from December 19 to October 17 since there are many things need to be discussed. Tom Barrett requested the opportunity to review W-2's.

Meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

Minutes taken by,
Elisa FitzGerald

Minutes approved by,
Board of Selectmen

Debbie Bouley, Chair

Michael D. Lamarre

Scott Blease