

Greenville Board of Selectmen
Minutes of the Public Meeting
February 4, 2009

Members present: Scott Blease, Kathy Washburn, Brenda Bergeron

Budget hearing opened at 7:00 p.m.

Board reviewed the 2009 town warrant with those present at this hearing. The operating budget was reviewed line by line with questions taken from the audience. Chief McTague explained the proposed 2009 budget that was developed by the Joint Police Board. He stated that due an officer leaving employment with the department there has been an increase to the budget to cover prosecution. Chief McTague stated that he and the Joint Board are still working on this budget and hope to be able to reduce it by the time town meeting comes. Board stated that the Ambulance Service budget has seen a reduction this year, however, they will be hiring full time paid attendants to cover the 6 am to 6 pm shift Monday through Friday. The ambulance service has been able to cover the cost of this for 2009 but the towns will see an increase in the 2010 budget. Kathy Washburn stated that 3% increases were given this year and explained that the sick time was reduced to 6 days per year, 2 personal days per year and town employees now pay 5% of the cost for 2 person health insurance plan and 15% for family plan, the police department pays 5% for all dependents coverage. She stated that she would like the residents of Greenville to keep an eye on this in the future years and that she would like to see the amount the employees pay increased each year as well as the amount of sick time reduced each year. Board also reviewed both the Water and Wastewater budgets for 2009. It was explained that the town will be seeing cost increases for the wastewater treatment plant as there will be a need to make some upgrades in order to comply with the new permit. Warrant Articles were reviewed. Board explained that the water and wastewater expendable trust funds were being combined as per discussions held at 2008 town meeting to simplify them. Also the Board reviewed all capital reserve and expendable trust fund accounts with the Trustees and the outcome of that meeting are shown in the articles to dissolve some of these funds. James Hartley asked that the year and article number of each of the funds being addressed this year be shown in the article. Recommendation was made to change the Election & Registration budget line item to include \$75 for election supplies in order to provide lunch for the ballot clerks; change Monadnock Family to \$2,000 and St. Joseph meals to \$2,360; add funds to the Police Crusier Expendable trust fund; correct the amount received for timber taxes. Public hearing was closed to the public at 9:30 p.m.

Board reviewed the recommended changes and voted to add \$75 to the Election and Registration election supplies; change Monadock Family Services to \$2,000 and St. Joseph meals to \$2,360; add \$10,000 to the Police Cruiser Expendable Trust fund and Linda will research the actual amount that was received for the timber taxes in 2008.

Meeting adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

Minutes taken by,
Linda Langille

Minutes approved by,
Board of Selectmen

Scott Blease, Chairman

Kathleen Washburn

Brenda Bergeron