

TOWN OF LYNDON  
SELECTBOARD MEETING

December 22, 2015

10:00 AM

Selectboard

Martha "Marty" Feltus  
Kermit Fisher  
Dan Daley

Press

Public

Dawn Dwyer  
Justin Smith

1. 2016 Budget Discussion:

A. General Fund:

- a. Admin/Office Receipts: missed Sanitation Service Reimbursement revenue item in the amount of \$10,612.
- b. Listers: noted Listers Education from the State is up from \$400 in 2015 to \$800 in 2016. This is a onetime change as the State has changed the program to a grant and the money was not issued for 2015, it will be a double payment in 2016. The Board asked Justin to confirm the Lister's payroll calculations (hours and rates).
- c. Cemetery: Justin will double check the amount the Town is now charging for tomb fees. Budgeted amount of receipts is \$100.00.
- d. Municipal Office Building: Nothing was budgeted as an expense for Roof Repair, but money was put in for savings toward future roof repairs. Justin explained that there are two sides left to be reroofed and at this time it is not critical to have done. We are in hopes to put enough into savings so that the remaining sections can be done at one time.
- e. Office Expense: New Equipment is up 47% to replace the firewall equipment. Postage has been increased to cover the absentee ballot requests for three elections in 2016.
- f. Insurance: Property & Casualty amount of \$26,771 covers all the Town owned buildings. Insurance costs charged to each department is for equipment and vehicles.
- g. Public Safety Building: Maintenance fee was incorrectly budgeted for \$15,000; should be \$20,000 to cover the remaining work to be done on the security system.
- h. Fire Dept.: The Board would like to know the difference between membership & dues. They would also like a list of new equipment needed for \$15,000 and what is included in Apparel.
- i. Dogs & Cats: The figures for electricity and heat were omitted on the budget.
- j. Cobleigh Public Library: The Board asked Dawn to ensure that Cindy Karasinski would be ready to discuss the increases to her budget. The Library's Appropriation request is up to \$239,000 from \$235,000 in 2015.
- k. CSO Project: The balloon payment for the CSO Project that was done in 1995 is due in 2016. The money for this has been saved overtime.
- l. Police Dept.: Health Insurance costs are down 31.5%. Currently there is only one officer enrolled, the others have insurance elsewhere. Uniform Allowance has been increased by 25% due to the increase in costs. The portable radios the department currently have are no longer able to be repaired. They are looking to replace all three. The Board asked that they look to see if there are any equipment grants through VLCT, Homeland Security or Emergency Management Services to help defray the costs.

B. Highway Fund:

- a. Discussion centered on the projects for 2016; Elliott Road Bank and Culver project estimated at \$31,527 and Red Brick Road estimated at \$91,224. The Board would like Justin to ask Rob Nutting, Foreman, the cost of maintenance for a gravel road versus a paved road.

2. Other:

Meeting adjourned at 11:48 AM      Minutes taken by Dawn Dwyer      Approved by Selectboard: 12/28/2015