

Atkinson Budget Committee Workshop Minutes July 1, 2014

Attendees:

Wendy Barker – Vice-Chairman

Sue Carroll

Phil Consentino – Selectmens' Liaison to Budget Committee

Kay Galloway

Tom Mealey

Bill Smith – Chairman

Meeting opened 7:00 PM.

Minutes: The scheduled June meeting had been canceled, so there were no minutes for that date. May 14 Meeting minutes: Motion to approve (Sue, 2nd by Tom): approved unanimously as corrected (adding a '\$' before '2500').

General Discussion: Kay met with Ted Stewart and learned about a Highway Department 8-year plan. Wendy requested that proposed adjustments to individual lines be submitted with detailed justifications, as opposed to across-the-board increase requests. Tom gave an update on Elder Services proposals he had heard about. Also discussed were asking department heads to find resources elsewhere, grant-writing and who should do it, potential savings from buying surplus trucks rather than new ones, health insurance dates and options, whether a second warrant might be needed for changing from 3 to 5 Selectmen, the new Elder Services dispatcher, and revenues reportedly being received from legal cases.

Revenues: The revenue spreadsheet from Sandra LeVallee was briefly discussed. Members will meet with Sandra during her daytime hours, to ask questions.

Meeting Schedule: Next meeting was scheduled for August 5.

Meeting adjourned approx. 9:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Bill Smith