

Town of Atkinson
Budget Committee Meeting Minutes
November 14, 2006

Attending: Mark Acciard-Chairman, Dave Paquette, Mari Anne Princiotta, Paul Tracy and Paul Sullivan ex officio.

Mark called the meeting to order at 7:32 PM. First order of business was to review the minutes from the November 7, 2006. The following amendment was made to the minutes:

On page two the word minot was corrected to minor.

Dave motioned to accept the minutes as amended/Seconded by Paul S./Unanimous 5-0.

Katie McDonough, Director of the Kimball Library, presented the library budget.

Department Description Liaison

4550 Library Dave Paquette

The proposed budget is \$305,509, which represents a \$24,064 (8.55%) increase over the 2006 budget. Katie highlighted the following changes:

Salary/FICA/Medi increases due to the 3% COLA,

Aides line increase is due to the 3% COLA, and additional hours to open the library 1 hour earlier during the week and remain open on Saturdays in July and August,

Retirement increase due to a higher rate,

Decrease in Telephones due to removing 2 lines and the Town's new phone system,

Increase in Electricity (\$1,430) due to increased costs,

Increase in heating, estimated at \$2.57 a gallon (1,000 gallons),

Increase in library supplies (\$1,000) due to increased costs,

Increase in material and trade of \$5,000 for the children's section,

25% increase in both Mileage and Education/Conferences (\$200 & \$300 respectively) due to increase usage,

Decrease in Other Professional Services due to the library employees taking on more of the responsibilities,

Decrease of \$1,085 in Computer Software

Increase of \$1,680 in Computer Hardware

Dave motioned to preliminarily accept the Library budget in the amount of \$305,509/Seconded by Mari Anne/ Motion passed 5-0.

Paul S. motioned to adjourn the meeting/Seconded by Dave/Motion passed 5-0. Mark adjourned the meeting at 8:30 PM.

Respectively submitted,

Kjb

Enclosure:

Schedule of Meetings

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Oct 10 – No meeting

Oct 17 – Recreation, Memorial Day, Community Center, Cable

Oct 24 – Russ McAllister, Town Administrator will present his budgets

Oct 31 – No meeting

Nov 07 – Hospitals/Ambulance, Fire, Homeland Security

Nov 14 – Library

Nov 21 – Highway

Nov 28 – Police, Elderly Affairs – All \$\$ Warrant Articles Due

Dec 05 – Elections/Planning Board/ZBA

Dec 12 – Finalize \$\$ Warrant Articles

Dec 19 – Conservation

Dec 26 – Open

Jan 02 – Open

Jan 09 – Open

Jan 16 – Public Hearing