Special Board of Selectmen's Meeting Minutes Tuesday, January 24, 2017 Sessions Conference Room – Town Hall 6:00PM

The meeting was called to order at 6:15 pm to discuss the following agenda items.

Item 1. Budget Workshop

In attendance were First Selectman Dan Jerram, Selectman Alesia Kennerson, and Selectman Laura Garay.

With regard to Item 1. First Selectman Jerram presented the Board members with written copies of the draft budget for fiscal year 2017/2018. The Selectmen reviewed the presented budget indicating that they had reviewed all departments up to the "Health, Sanitation and Welfare" department which is where they wanted to continue their review (from page 11). There were several comments, from all Selectmen, relating to the Foothills Visiting Nurse Association (FVNA) expenditure with the Selectmen questioning the protocol for how individual "in home" visits were allocated by FVNA. The Selectmen agreed to send a letter requesting information on user information for use in preparation of the budget.

Three to five year rolling averages were then reviewed in the "Recreation", "Commissions & Other Agencies" departments. The Board discussed the progress made by the "West Hill Lake" group that had received recent increases to conduct studies at the lake. Additional comments pertaining to the Commission on Aging were made by Selectmen Garay. Jerram indicated that the Commission had made no request for funding.

The Selectmen also discussed the recently approved "Senior Van" grant that has been approved (\$44,000). First Selectmen Jerram indicated that we would have to address the need for an appropriation to account for the driver. Selectmen Kennerson asked if we had any estimates for the operation of the van. Jerram replied that he was thinking about something in the range of \$7,500 based on a partial budget year of 30 weeks, 10 hours of program/driving time and an estimate of \$25 per hour. The Selectmen agreed to further the discussion at the next meeting.

The Selectmen also discussed the Torrington Water Hydrant expenditure agreeing to send the Water Company an email for information relating to the 2017/2018 expense. Once completed, the Selectmen agreed to continue the budget discussion at their next meeting.

As there was no other business to attend to, a motion made by Garay, seconded by Kennerson, to adjourn at 7:20pm. The motion was passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dan Jerram, First Selectman