Town of Alton
Budget Committee Meeting
November 8, 2012
Minutes
Approved January 31, 2013

Call to Order 6:20pm

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Marc DeCoff, Selectmen's Representative Andy McLeod, Chairman Barbara Howard, Member John Markland, Vice Chairman, Karl Ingoldsby, Member Krista Argiropolis, School Board Representative

Greg Fuller, Member, Excused Absence

Other Attendees:

Kathy O'Blenes, Alton Central School, Business Administrator Krista Argiropolis, Alton School Board William Lander, School Superintendent Sydney Leggett, Principal Alton Central School Pam McLeod, Alton Central School, Technology Department Catherine Dix-Herndon, Alton Central School, Special Education Department

Public Input I

None seen or heard. Public Input I closed

Approval of Agenda

M. DeCoff motioned to move Approval of Meeting Minutes to the end after Old Business, seconded by K. Ingoldsby.

Vote: MD Yes, AM Yes, BH Yes, JM Yes, KI Yes, KA Yes, motion passed 6 - 0.

New Business

Alton Central School Budget Presentation

Superintendent W. Lander gave an overview of the proposed budget. This is a proposed \$318,986.00 increase over last year and does not include PMHS costs.

There was a review and discussion of the Technology Department presented by P. McLeod and a review and discussion of the Special Education Department presented by C. Dix-Herndon. Also included was the review and discussion of various budget line items.

A. McLeod motioned to break on the School Budget review for tonight's meeting, seconded by M. DeCoff.

Discussion K. Ingoldsby requested to review Business Services. This will be held for the next meeting.

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Next meeting scheduled is for November 13, 2012 at 6:20pm.

Public Input II

None seen or heard. Public Input II closed

Old Business

K. Argiropolis motioned to have Mary Jarvis forward all E-Mails received into the Budget Committee E-Mail address forwarded to the Budget Committee members, seconded by A. McLeod.

Vote: MD Yes, AM Yes, BH Yes, JM Yes, KI Yes, KA Yes, motion passed 6 − 0.

- B. Howard read Memorandums and E-mails regarding the Survey Committee into the record and this was followed by discussion.
- B. Howard has requested copies of any handouts from Water Department and Planning Department from the October 23, 2012 Budget Committee Meeting and the handout presented by Code Enforcement during October 25, 2012 Budget Committee Meeting. B. Howard also addressed the Committee with some questions she had on prior Budget Committee Meetings.
- B. Howard motioned to clarify what the definition of an expert is so that we know we are doing the right thing.

K. Ingoldsby stated that he rescinds his offer to go look at any of the buildings. Motion was seconded by M. DeCoff.

Vote: No vote was taken as K. Ingoldsby rescinded his offer.

A. McLeod would like to motion that for the future we don't use the word expert.

K. Ingoldsby motioned to adjourn, seconded by A. McLeod

The discussion continued.

A. McLeod motioned to adjourn, seconded by B. Howard.

Adjournment 9:10pm

Respectfully submitted,

Peggy Hawksley Budget Committee Secretary

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