

Present: Supervisor Urban Hirschey, Councilman Brooks Bragdon, Councilman Clif Schneider, Councilwoman Michelle Oswald, Councilman John Byrne and approximately 30 residents.

Supervisor Hirschey opened the public hearing at 6:00pm with the pledge of allegiance. Supervisor Hirschey explained the difference between the tentative budget and the preliminary budget. He then presented a power point presentation and reviewed and explained the different screens that represents the 2014 budget. Supervisor Hirschey also reviewed the projected projects for the coming year. He opened the hearing for comments.

Virginia Edsall – Virginia asked what portion of the sales tax revenues are received by the town, how is the amount determined and are the inmates at the correctional facility part of the town's census.

Deb Sullier – Deb asked if the Town was still paying compensation to the Mark Davis family.

Al Wood – Al asked if the employees' health insurance is still the same and if they will pay more in the coming year.

Elizabeth Brennan – Liz asked what would be paid out of "Buildings".

Don Mason – Don asked what the tax rate would be.

Dennis Pearson – Dennis asked how the .60 tax rate would affect the taxes.

There being no further questions, Councilwoman Oswald made the motion to adjourn the Public Hearing at 6:25pm and open regular meeting, seconded by Councilman Schneider.

Resolution #41

Resolution #41 was moved by Councilman Schneider, seconded by Councilman Byrne. Resolution #41 was to adopt the preliminary budget for the fiscal year 2014. There was no discussion. Supervisor Hirschey voted AYE, Councilmen Byrne, Bragdon and Schneider voted AYE, Councilwoman Oswald voted AYE.

Resolution #42

Resolution #42 was moved by Councilman Byrne, seconded by Councilwoman Oswald. Resolution #42 was to authorize the Supervisor to pay the county \$16,401.36 from the fund balance for tax map maintenance. There was no discussion. Supervisor Hirschey voted AYE, Councilmen Bragdon, Byrne and Schneider voted AYE, Councilwoman Oswald voted AYE.

Supervisor Hirschey spoke about two letters that have been written to Hon. Kathleen Burgess, one from the Board and one from Attorney Paul Curtin. Councilman Byrne made a motion to send the letter from the Town Board, seconded by Councilwoman Oswald. Councilwoman Oswald made the motion to send the letter from Attorney Curtin, seconded by Councilman Schneider. All were in favor.

Councilwoman Oswald spoke about the Town Board having a policy in place with regard to documents. She said Butch Cullen had sent an email regarding this. The Planning and Zoning Board's would like to have a policy in place regarding this. Councilman Schneider agreed that a policy needs to be in place. Councilwoman Oswald asked what the Board thought of this. Supervisor Hirschey said that he knows the Boards are working on this issue and he would like to discuss it at another meeting when they have more ideas.

Councilman Schneider made a motion to adjourn at 6:33pm, seconded by Councilwoman Oswald.

Michelle Bouchard, Town Clerk