Sugar Hill Budget Hearing Minutes

February 11, 2013 6:30 pm

Select Board: Dick Bielefield, John Strasser

Guests: Department Heads and Board Representatives: Fire Chief Clark, Lafayette Recreation Rep, Cindy McLaren, Road Agent Doug Glover, Library Trustee Irene Amsbary, Police Chief Wentworth, Librarian Judy Weisenberger, and Building & Grounds James Keefe Community: Bill and Sarah Pinney

MR. BIELEFIELD presented the budget and discussed the expenditures and revenue hand outs. There was a question in regard to the insurance line and it was noted that the highway department has an employee now that requires 2 person coverage. It was also noted that there is some re-imbursement with that line item.

MR. STRASSER noted that the Planning Board line item was over due to additional costs for the Master Plan hearings.

JUDY WEISENBERGER asked about changes at the recycling center and items not being taken anymore. Mr. Bielefield noted that the board hopes to meet with the Franconia and Easton board more in the coming year so that they may get some better insight into the Transfer Station.

IRENE AMSBARY asked about the increase in the cemetery budget and it was explained that the 7,500 additional funds would be coming from either grants or the Cemetery Trust Funds. Repairs are being made to the ironwork and gates throughout the cemetery.

MR. BIELEFIELD noted that he had increased the fuel line items by 5%. He also commented on the status of the long term note for the purchase of the Crapo Building. Additional monies have been put toward the principal each year. He also noted that the board has been able to use surplus that last several years to help with the tax rate.

Meeting adjourned at 6:50 PM

Respectfully submitted, Jennifer P. Gaudette Administrative Assistant