Candia Budget Committee Meeting Minutes of November 28th APPROVED

Present: Carla Penfield Chair person; Jim Brennan, Selectman's Representative; Brenda Stevens, Judith Szot, Steve Higgins, Ed Caito, School Board Representative, Kim Byrd, Kristine Pouliot.

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Meeting called to order at 6:35 PM

Minutes:

Minutes of November 13th are reviewed.

Under Town Budget Review, Second sentence, clarifying information is to be added to read:

Not including bond payment and with only 10% increase in health insurance you have a 7.87 increase – when the new health insurance increase of 17.4% is added the new increase is 8.19%.

Judith Moves to accept and Kim seconded the motion. All present vote in favor. Minutes approved as amended.

School Budget Review:

Discussion of status of review of the School Budget review and meeting on School Budget. Review of the information and discussion of tuitions.

Ed Caito moves that the Budget committee approve of the School budget in the sum of \$7,194,179.00, an increase of 4.5% over prior years approved budget. All present vote in favor. Motion carries.

Town Budget Review:

Review of the Selectmen's revised budget Review of revised budget by Ed Caito with new column to analyze % increases. Includes increase of 2.5% over 2007 approved budget. Overall increase of 13%. Discussion of budget approval process and detailed discussions follows. Questions posed by Mr. Ireland from the audience were also addressed. Ed Caito moves that we present for public hearting a town budget of \$2,361,255.00 representing a 13.32% increase over the 2007 approved budget. Kristine Pouliot seconds the motion. 3 opposed 5 in favor. Motion carries.

Warrant Articles:

Starting with article 16 and votes on the areas that the BC needs to vote on.

Article 16:

Ed Caito moves that Article 16 is recommended.

Discussion reverts to a discussion of warrant article 15.

Second by Ann on Ed's motion. No discussion. Majority votes in favor.

Article 17:

Some discussion

Article 18: Ed moves we recommend. Judy seconds.

Majority vote in favor.

Article 20: Discussion of the article.

Article 21: No discussion

Article 22: Discussion of the article. Brenda moves to recommend Article 22. Ed Seconds the motion. Motion Majority vote carries. Kim opposes.

Article 23:

Discussion follows.

Article 24:

Discussion follows.

Article 25:

Discussion follows.

Ed moves to recommend. Steve seconds.

Additional discussion follows.

5 in favor, 3 opposed 1 abstention.

Article 26:

Some discussion follows needs to go the voters to decide if these will be funded.

Article 27:

No discussion

Article 28:

No discussion

Article 29:

No discussion

Article 30:

No discussion

Article 31:

Some discussion about the decommissioning of the site.

Ed motions to accept, seconded by Steve. Vote is unanimous.

Article 32:

Discussion of capital reserve

Article 33:

Some discussion follows comparing this to the "leaky roof fund". Ed motion to recommend. Kristine P seconds. 2 in favor. Majority opposes.

Article 34:

Some discussion follows.

Article 35:

Some discussion follows. There is discussion regarding the question of what the rationale is.

Motion to adjourn made by Ed Seconded by Ann

All in favor. Motion carries. Meeting ends at 8:48 PM

~Respectfully committed. Kristina Ickes