

Approved
Candia Budget Committee Meeting Minutes
December 8, 2008

Attendees: Chairman Carla Penfield, Ann Tierno, Kristine Pouliot, Kim Byrd, Allyn Chivers, School Rep. Karen Smith and Selectmen's Rep. Tom Giffen.

Absent: Judith Szot and Steve Higgins.

Chairman Carla Penfield called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

School related

- Karen Smith and Kristine Pouliot gave an overview of the previous School Board meeting.
- Currently there are 2 special needs children. The financial impact is still unknown. More information will be available possibly by the end of December.
- School Superintendent Littlefield spoke passionately in relation to the budget. He was frustrated by the suggestions by the Budget Committee. He thought the recommended budget by the school was already low. He is concerned the changes suggested by the BC would impact the Students education.
- Dr. Littlefield will oversee and approve any expenditure within the school. In January he will address the School Board on the process.

Town Related

- Chairman Penfield asked the Board if the goal was to level fund the town budget and we are currently short by approx. \$2,000.00, is this still the goal. The vote was 5 to 2. In favor to level fund.
- Board Members made suggestions on specific lines within the budget to reach level funding.

- Motion to submit final budget to Selectmen with a bottom line of \$2,317, 271.12. Motion approved 5 to 2.
- Budget Committee Member, Steve Higgins, submitted his letter of resignation from the board. Motion to accept. Tom Giffen 2nd the motion with regrets. All accepted.
- Advertisement for a replacement will be necessary if required by law. Regardless of the fact there is only January & February remaining.
- Future dates and times and places were discussed and confirmed.
- Carla explained the procedure of the Public Hearing Meetings.

Motion to Adjourn at 8:05 pm. All were in favor.

Recorded by Mary Phillips