Approved Candia Budget Committee Meeting Minutes August 12, 2009

Attendees: Chairman Ann Tierno, Carla Penfield, Kim Byrd, Allyn Chivers, Selectman's Rep. Carleton Robie, School Rep. Alternate, Ingrid Byrd

Absent: School Rep. Melissa Madden, Erin Asselin.

Chairman Ann Tierno called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Old Business

- Review and approve the July 8, 2009 meeting minutes. It was requested to add the scheduled dates of upcoming BC meetings.
- Review responses to the BC questions asked to the Selectmen. Re:
 question #1. The BC did not request an electronic copy of the monthly
 budget report. It was the Selectmen's Budget that was requested. Re:
 question #3 under expenditures. Carla did not believe the BC ever wanted
 any line moved from one dept to another but to hold off spending in
 particular departments. It is important and helpful to see what departments
 are over spending.
- The BC received a memo from the Town office that the Welfare Department will be using the meeting room exclusively for 1 week in December and will also be sharing it for the month.
- The Budget deadline dates were submitted to the BC. (Attached).
- Budget preparation recommendations: The BC brought to the Selectmen a
 recommended 1% decrease in the 2010 Operating budget. Apparently, it
 was not met favorably. Carleton feels that it should be at zero (level
 funded). He would like to see the BC and Selectmen agree. He also
 mentioned that he does have support for the level funding.

- Discussion within the BC regarding level funding, who will support it, and how important it is for residents to be at the Deliberative session.
 However, if there can be a common ground with the Selectmen, it would be in everyone's best interest.
- If the Selectmen would submit a level funded budget or below, the majority of the BC would be very satisfied with that.

New Business

School Expense Sheets:

• Due to the fact that the School expense sheets start 7/1/09 to 6/30/10, there is not enough activity for discussion.

Town Expense Sheets:

- On the Projected Financial Position report what was budgeted and what
 has been expended for the last 7 months leaves no balance remaining. It
 is too difficult at this point to say whether there will be a deficit or not.
 Road Agent Dennis Lewis stated his winter payroll budget was based on
 last year. Unlike most departments his expenses are incurred in the earlier
 months of the year. There is no way to know whether he will have enough
 funds to cover expenses. There is a 50/50 possibility that he would have
 to dip into the \$63,000.00 winter warrant article.
- Carla was asking whether there was a possibility to change the revenue report to exclude the line items that are a wash, private police duty, lunch program, ski program, etc. due to the fact that it distorts the revenue report.
- Judith asked Carleton why there are so many departments that show that their projection was not received. Carleton feels there was not enough time for the departments to submit their information.
- Ann informed the BC that there was a 2009 Budget and Finance
 Workshop being held on September 22nd at CR Sparks and another one in
 Lincoln NH on September 24th. There is no money in the budget for
 workshops but if anyone is interested it is \$35.00 (breakfast & lunch
 included).

Motion to adjourn at 8:26 pm. All were in favor.

Recorded by Mary Phillips