Approved Candia Budget Committee Meeting Minutes November 12, 2009

Attendees: Chairman Ann Tierno, Carla Penfield, Kim Byrd, Allyn Chivers, Judith Szot, Craig Sandler, Selectmen's Rep. Carleton Robie, School Rep. Melissa Madden

Absent: Erin Asselin

Chairman Ann Tierno called the meeting to order at 7:04 pm.

- Approval of prior meeting minutes. 10/20 approved with1abstained. No changes. Motion to accept minutes of 10/22 following a correction to consolidate the Animal Control category. Accepted. 10/28 minutes approved. 10/29 minutes approved with 1 abstained.
- Road Agent Dennis Lewis provided the BC with his budget numbers from 1999 for comparison. (Attached)
- Direct Assistance Department submitted a report showing the funds broken out by category based on 23 households. (Attached)
- Letter from Candia Residents to express their opinion in relation to taxes. (Attached)
- Request for a change in the Agenda to discuss School Budget in order to have questions answered before the November 19th meeting. Several members were opposed due to the fact they were not prepared. A vote was taken with a 50/50 result. A decision was made to meet on Monday, November 16th to discuss the School Budget.

Old Business/ Town Budget

Heritage Commission
No changes

Health Officer
No changes

Highway Department

1. Tree Removal recommended a reduction to \$3,500.00. Majority voted to increase the line back to \$4,500.00

- 2. Asphalt Maintenance reduced to \$60,000.00
- 3. Winter Payroll reduced to \$122,000.00
- 4. Salt line reduced to \$55,512.00

Road Agent Dennis Lewis wanted to make it clear to the board that the Highway Department operates on a shoestring. When it snows it, must be taken care of, and it is done as efficient as possible. They use their own equipment and when the job is completed, they go home. Most towns pay a lot more than we do.

Other Culture and Recreation

1. Summer Rec Supplies was reduced to \$1.00

Parks and Rec

There was a motion to reduce Old Home Day Preparation line to \$1.00. 4 in favor, 1 opposed, 2 abstained. Line reduced to \$1.00.

Planning Board

Motion to level fund budget. All were in favor to level fund.

Police Department

- 1. No COLA on Chief's Wages.
- 2. No COLA on Secretarial Wages.
- 3. No COLA on FT Wages with the exception of those on the Matrix.
- 4. Special Officer was reduced to \$20.000.00
- 5. Training Expenses reduced to \$650.00
- 6. Testing & Hiring reduced to \$300.00
- 7. Gasoline reduced to \$17,000.00
- 8. Maintenance of Cruiser increased to \$15,000.00 (this is in relation to the new cruiser).
- 9. Book & Printed Material reduced to \$500.00
- 10. New Cruiser recommended reduction to -0- (5 in favor 2 opposed). New Cruiser line reduced to -0-

A request was made that Miscellaneous items be applied to specific lines. This makes it less ambiguous.

Solid Waste

- 1. Landfill Disposal reduced to \$174.00.
- 2. Printing Costs reduced to \$750.00
- 3. Special Projects reduced to \$2,000.00
- 4. Florescent Bulbs reduced to \$500.00
- 5. Glass Disposal Charges reduced to \$2,500.00
- 6. Recycling Supplies reduced to \$1,800.00

Tax Collector

No Changes

Town Building Expenses

- 1. Electricity reduced to \$10,000.00.
- 2. Heat reduced to \$3,000.00
- 3. Building Maintenance reduced to \$7,500.00
- 4. Carpet Cleaning/Tile reduced to \$500.00
- 5. Fax line reduced to \$300.00
- 6. Old Library maintenance reduced to \$2,500.00

Town Clerk

- 1. Telephone reduced to \$500.00
- Restoration of Official Documents reduced to \$450.00
- 3. Office Supplies reduced to \$500.00

Town Officer's Expenses

- 1. Office Wages reduced to \$100,776,00
- 2. Exit 3 Property Marketing reduced to \$1.00
- 3. Telephone reduced to \$1,000.00
- 4. Microfilming reduced to \$1.00
- 5. Dues, Subscriptions & Seminars reduced to \$3,500.00
- 6. Supplies Office General reduced to \$4,000.00
- 7. Postage & Base Rental reduced to \$3,000.00
- 8. Tax Map Maintenance reduced to \$2,000.00
- 9. Potential ADA Requirements reduced to \$1.00

Treasurer No Changes

Welfare

- 1. Stipend reduced to \$7,000.00
- 2. Protective Clothing reduced to -0-
- 3. Telephone reduced to \$500.00

At 9:55 pm a motion was made to remain past 10:00 pm. All were in favor.

Zoning Board

- 1. Microfilming reduced to \$1.00
- 2. Legal Notices reduced to \$700.00

Motion to adjourn at 10:00 pm. All were in favor.

Recorded by Mary Phillips