

**Approved**  
**Candia Budget Committee Meeting Minutes**  
**February 10, 2010**

**Attendees:** Chairman Ann Tierno, Carla Penfield, Allyn Chivers, Selectmen's Rep. Carleton Robie, School Rep. Melissa Madden.

**Absent:** Erin Asselin (excused), Judith Szot, Kim Byrd, Craig Sandler.

Chairman Tierno called the meeting to order at 7:07 pm.

- Pledge of Allegiance.

**Minutes**

- Review & approve previous meeting minutes: December 9, 2009 approved, January 5, 2010 following removal of the word "since" on pg 2, paragraph 1 accepted as amended, January 6, 2010 approved, January 13, 2010 with 3 accepted with 2 abstained (Melissa Madden & Allyn Chivers).

**Deliberative Session Discussion**

(Questions answered by Chairman Tierno)

- The Selectmen can amend the budget after they have submitted it to the Budget Committee and their Public Hearing as well. There is a law working it's way through the State House as to what the deadline would be.
- The Budget Committee can amend the budget following the Public Hearing up until the day the BC is required to submit to the Selectmen. Although, the BC cannot add new line items.
- The Selectmen can change the Warrant Articles up until the BC's Public Hearing.
- The BC does not have to wait until the Selectmen make their recommendations for the Petitioned Warrant Articles. The BC can make their recommendations independent of the Selectmen's.
- The Budget does not include the Warrant Articles. It is only the Operating Budget. However, when the 10% rule applies, it does include the Warrant Articles.

### **Other**

- Chairman Tierno explained BC member Erin Asselin has been excused from prior meetings she was unable to attend due to her job.
- Discussion brought up by Carla regarding the \$2,500.00 line under the Health Department. She is concerned there is potential growth when adding a new line when the Health Department was under Welfare Department previously. Carleton explained the Selectmen had already split the two departments, prior to Mary leaving. Carleton said when the Selectmen replaced Mary that should have been the time to address the amount of the stipend. However, He did add that Donna was doing a good job under the Direct Assistance position.
- There were no School and Town Budget/Expense Reports this month to review.
- Carla was asked by a Candia resident how much our town receives from the NH Lottery and asked if Melissa could find the answer. The reason the question was asked was many years ago the lottery was going to subsidize education in the state.

**Motion to adjourn at 7:40 pm. All were in favor.**

**Recorded by Mary Phillips**