# Meeting of the Candia Municipal Budget Committee June 10, 2015 Town Hall, Candia, NH

**Members Present:** Chair Allyn Chivers, Kevin Coughlin, Mark Laliberte, Andrea Peach, Robert Stout, School Board Rep. Rebecca Cronk, Selectman's Rep. Carleton Robie

Absent: Vice-Chair Paul LeBlond, Matthew Broadhead

Chairman Chivers opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

#### **Approval of Minutes**

**Motion:** Approval of May 13 Municipal Budget Committee minutes (1st – Robie, 2nd – Laliberte) Approved 5-0 (abstaining Stout, Cronk)

## Answer questions from the last meeting

No questions needed answering

## **Town Report**

Robie discussed certain elements within the town report, concerning 2015 dollars being moved at the request of the auditors:

- Auditing services: \$3,134 to be moved to 2014
- Legal expenses \$1,689.95
- Prosecution services \$3,000
- Landfill disposal \$5,546.92
- Retirement \$8,680

Cronk asked about the new line item in solid waste, which was regarding the purchase of a baler. Robie said that the line will be over spent, because the current spending that is listed shows the down payment. Delivery for the baler is expected in July.

Cronk also asked if there any more expenses concerning the closure of the old landfill. Robie said there were more things to address. The town has already paid off \$9,200 toward these issues. Town to voted to remove the concrete slab, so the town will excavate it, put in fill, bury and loam over it. Leave driveway access.

A question came up from Chivers about phone lines to the town. Robie said the system in Candia is antiquated and involves 17-18 phone lines. Through working with Fairpoint, they were able to reduce the phone bill by \$5,000 a year. At some point, the town offices will need a phone system.

## **School Report**

Cronk initiated the conversation by discussing where things stand with the effort to have the district vote on a potential Pinkerton contract. The Derry school currently charges about \$11,000 per tuition student – she was not sure what we're paying in Manchester, but according to Pinkerton, Manchester charges \$10,400). Cronk also spoke about issues such as sports and how the tracking system differs from Manchester. More discussion on both Pinkerton and the Manchester School District ensued.

Laliberte asked Cronk if it were possible to get a repair summary for the money being drawn from surplus dollars. The issue was to be discussed at the next school board meeting (Thursday, June 11). Projects discussed will be general repairs, modifications as recommended by a Homeland Security report, and options for addressing the sinkhole at the school playground.

Other issues discussed leftover dollars in the PT and OT services line, and a continued discussion of legal issues against the district regarding high school placement.

## New Business

**Motion:** To accept, with deep regret, the resignation of Andrea Peach, who is moving out-ofdistrict (1st – Chivers, 2nd – Cronk)

Chivers said she will post for position in August.

July meeting cancelled - next meeting August 12, 2015.

#### **Adjournment**

Motion: To adjourn (1st - Laliberte, 2nd - Robie) Approved 8-0.

Meeting adjourned at 7:51 p.m.