



Town of York

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SPECIAL SELECTMEN'S MEETING 8:00AM MONDAY, JANUARY 17, 2012 YORK LIBRARY

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Present: Chair; Tracy Jackson-McCarty, Vice Chair; Mary Andrews, Edward Little, Kinley Gregg, Scott Fiorentino, Town Manager; Robert G. Yandow, Recorder; Susan Scott, and members of the press and public.

Call to Order

Pledge of Allegiance

1. **Discussion of Budget FY13:**

Town Manager, Robert G. Yandow, provided Selectmen with the draft FY13 budget reflecting a 3.5% spending increase, and a reduction from \$790,000 to \$650,000 in use of Fund Balance monies as a means to offset taxes. Mr. Yandow stressed the importance in incrementally reducing reliance on Fund Balance monies as well as the need to address the cumulative impacts to the Town's infrastructure resulting from past and current budget decisions. This budget reflects the increase associated with the printing of tax bills and fuel costs for Police. The Tax Task Force (TTF) recommends a 2.5% spending increase. Mr. Yandow stated this was the first time in his six-year tenure he has differed from the TTF regarding the percentage for a spending increase. The proposed budget includes a 2% increase for collective bargaining agreements which expire June 30, 2014. Agreed terms included a zero increase the first year, 1% increase the second year, and a 2% increase in the third year. Mr. Yandow requests direction from the Selectmen as to whether or not they would like to maintain the 2.5% spending increase as recommended by the TTF with increased budget cuts or consider the budget as proposed.

Discussion Points

- Capital Improvement: Town to spend \$3.5 million per prior Tax Task Force recommendation.
- Capital Budget vs. Operating Budget: TTF would like infrastructure, paving and road maintenance should be in the Capital Budget. Paving costs include gravel and materials as well as

work associated with culvert installation and road paving. Town is paving less total miles of roadway; far less than the Consultant recommended amount of \$900,000 per year from six years ago.

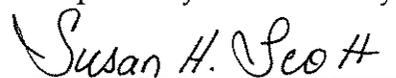
- Equipment: One-ton pickup truck was due to be replaced 2 to 3 years ago.
- Consideration of already increased taxes associated with new Police Station.
- School Ground Maintenance.
- Fee supported departments.
- IMS (Internet Mapping Services) to be updated and continued to be provided to public.
- PSAP (Public Safety Answering Point) to be dissolved at some future point because of State/County push toward regional services.
- Cost increases:
 - Cable tv and the streaming of municipal meetings;
 - Selectmen budget line item as it now includes dues for Maine Municipal Association;
 - Animal Control: Restore previously reduced hours for 2 part time AC officers who receive special training to deal with ...
- Selectmen budget review to be finalized by their next meeting on January 23, 2012.

Selectmen agreed with reducing use of Fund Balance monies by \$140,000 to the total of \$650,000, and discussed the recommendation from the Tax Task Force of a 2.5% spending increase. While some members were inclined to consider a 3% or higher increase in spending to maintain infrastructure, other members remained firm on retaining the lower 2.5% spending increase.

Town Manager Yandow confirmed that the budget information was available for public review, and stated that the Budget Committee will be meeting with both the Town and School officials come early February.

Motion by Ms. Andrews, seconded by Mr. Little to adjourn at 9:25am

Respectfully Submitted By:



Susan H. Scott; Recorder