

IN BOARD OF SELECTMEN
SPECIAL MEETING
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 5, 1987

Present: Chairman Anne W. Donald, Selectman Wallace, Executive Secretary Richard E. Thompson.

Dog Officer's Fiscal Year 1989 Budget

Present: Dog Officer Betsy DeWallace.

After review, the Board approved the Fiscal Year 1989 budget as submitted by Dog Officer Betsy DeWallace.

Fire Department's Fiscal Year 1989 Budget

Present: Fire Chief Michael Dunne; Robert K. Coe, Finance Committee Liaison.

After review of the Fire Department Fiscal Year 1989 Budget, the Board approved same subject to the following:

1. Certain budget column changes as recommended by the Budget Analyst;
2. Clarification of data set forth on page 11A for easier understanding;
3. Re-writing of page 14 to further amplify the explanation for the \$1,000 request for District 14;
4. With regard to Capital Equipment: Submission of a memorandum giving further support for the purchase of a Bronco motor vehicle to replace Car No. 37;
5. Elimination of attached budget survey forms and submission of a one-page Summary Data of Costs Survey of comparable towns, as agreed to with the Executive Secretary.

Police Department Fiscal Year 1989 Budget

Present: Police Chief Peter B. Lembo; Robert K. Coe, Finance Committee Liaison.

After lengthy discussion, it was the consensus of the Board to revise the salary request contained in the Police Department's Fiscal Year 1989 Budget downward, eliminating new positions requested. It was further agreed to add a new non-police position in the approximate salary or consultant-fee range of \$25,000. The details of this are to be worked out between the Chief of Police and the Executive Secretary, who will report back to the Board when same has been accomplished.

Approval of this Budget is subject to resolution of the foregoing and also to elimination of the request for new computer hardware or software in the amount of \$50,000.

The Board reduced Item 320-810 (Tuition Reimbursement) from \$10,000 to \$3,000.

Time did not permit further review of the budget in detail. The Board therefore requested the Executive Secretary to do same and report back to the Board with a completed newly-revised budget in light of the foregoing discussion.

Engineering Department Fiscal Year 1989 Budget

Present: Town Engineer I. William Place.

After review, the Board approved the Engineering Department's Fiscal Year 1989 Budget with the exception of deleting the item for Outside Cleaning Service under Item 210, in the amount of \$2,100. The Board agreed to discuss Town Engineer Place's concerns with the Building Inspector relative to custodial services for his office area, said discussion to be held at the budget hearing with the Building Inspector to be held at a later date.

Selectmen's Fiscal Year 1989 Budget

After review, the Board approved the Selectmen's Budget as submitted.

Unclassified and Reserve Accounts Fiscal Year 1989 Budgets

Richard Pettingell of the Finance Committee and the Selectmen both reviewed and approved the Unclassified and Reserve Accounts Fiscal Year 1989 Budgets as submitted, with the understanding that certain large budget numbers cannot be finalized at this date (such as group insurance, retirement, property insurance). The Executive Secretary agreed to have Budget Analyst Terri Ackerman provide Mr. Pettingell with her supporting information on the request for Item 810 dealing with FICA and Medicare costs.

Under Town Meeting Line Item 814, concerning the new item of \$1,000 for transcription of proceedings, Mr. Pettingell requested a copy of the Town Clerk's memorandum explaining same.

Under Postage Line Item 815, the Board requested the Executive Secretary to clarify projected increases for 1987-1988. [N.B. Following the meeting, it was learned that the increase pertains to April of 1987].

Miscellaneous

The Executive Secretary was requested to remind the Park and Recreation Commission that it must submit, in accordance with the "swimming pool" Enterprise Fund legislation, the Swimming Pool Budget, which must be approved by the Selectmen before proceeding to the Finance Committee.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the Special Meeting was adjourned at Noon.

Attest:

Richard E. Thompson
Executive Secretary-Clerk