BUDGET COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES – July 30, 2019 1 Lincoln Town Hall, Lincoln, NH 2 3 (approved) 4 5 ATTENDING: Jack Daly, Cindy Lloyd, Tracey Brumlik, Chairman Mike Simons, Vice-Chairman Herb Gardner, Susan Chenard, Paul Beaudin, Dennis Ducharme, Ray D'Amante, Kelsee 6 Beaudin 7 **Excused Absence:** Beverly Hall, Jayne Ludwig, Jim Spanos 8 9 Audience: Lutz Wallem 10 Call to order: 5:32 pm 11 12 **Review and Approval of Minutes:** 13 February 12<sup>th</sup> minutes will be reviewed at next meeting 14 April 9<sup>th</sup> minutes reviewed 15 Motion to approve: Herb Gardner Second: Jack Daly 16 Motion carries unanimously 17 18 **Meeting Schedule for 2019-2020** 19 Paul suggests meeting earlier to discuss simpler budgets. 20 Mike suggests looking at expenditures from ½ way through the year. 21 Cindy suggest looking back at previous budget. 22 23 Mike suggests analyzing what has gone on since town meeting (fire, water etc.). Kelsee ask for ¾ year numbers to be available to look at for meeting in October. 24 Paul suggests giving questions to departments (like new employee at public works, legal 25 expenditures, etc.) earlier so that they have time to come back with answers. 26 Mike will request ½ year expenditures from Johnna for the next meeting 27 Jack mentioned that last year's questions were given to Butch. 28 29 Next Meeting will be September 24 at 5:30 to come up with questions for departments. 30 October 29 at 5:30 to look at current spending of departments. 31 32 33 Other Business: Cindy brings up that as she is now head of her HOA she would like someone else to 34 represent the budget committee to be on the CIP COMMITTEE. Meetings are on Tuesdays 35 at 9 a.m. Paul volunteers. Motions to approve: Cindy Lloyd Second: Herb Gardner 36 Motion carries unanimously. Cindy will email OJ Robinson about this change. 37 38 Mike welcomes Ray D'Amante to the Budget Committee. 39 40 Mike raises question from Lutz Wallem as to whether we have a vacancy. Due to his 41 42 health issues, he sent in a letter of resignation, but now is interested in being back on the

committee. Mike will check with Lisa or Johnna as to whether there is actually an opening or not. Lutz asks if there is a policy about absences. Mike says that the law states that after four unexcused absences you are off the committee, but there is no policy regarding excused absences and maybe a discussion needs to be had regarding this part.

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Ray D'Amante asks if the committee has knowledge of tax increment financing (district) and the process. Paul says that there is a district up on Route 3, which gives a tax deferment to encourage businesses to come in, but he doesn't think anyone has taken advantage of it. Ray states that there is a process that involves the selectmen and the budget committee. He asks if the committee would like to learn more about it and Mike states that we would be interested in any information that increases the knowledge of this committee. Ray states that there is a specific way the district has to be defined. There are a lot of regulations. It could come before us in the future. Cindy asks what our role would be. The Budget Committee would look at whether there is a fair return to the community. Paul states that it can spur growth in an area. Mike states that it is different than subsidy and an abatement. Paul asks if it can be used for housing, as that is what this area needs. Ray thinks it is possible.

62 Motion: Paul Beaudin Second: Herb Gardner Motion carries unanimously

Chairman Mike Simons

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