# TOWN OF RYE – BUDGET COMMITTEE PUBLIC HEARING

To Consider the 2017 Proposed Budgets:

Rye Beach Village District

Jenness Beach Precinct

Rye Water District

Tuesday, February 7, 2017 6:30 p.m. Rye Town Hall

Members Present: Peggy Balboni, Doug Abrams, Mae Bradshaw, Ray Jarvis, Jenness Beach Rep Randy Crapo, Rye Water District Rep Ralph Hickson, Rye Beach Village District Rep Shawn Crapo, School Board Rep Kevin Brandon, Selectmen's Rep Craig Musselman and Jaci Grote (arrived at 6:51 p.m.)

#### I. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Acting Chair Balboni called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### II. WORK SESSION

- A. Approval of Minutes
  - 1. Work Session 1/9/17

The following correction was noted:

• Page 8, 2<sup>nd</sup> paragraph, 1<sup>st</sup> sentence should read: **Member Bradshaw commented** that she has read the engineering reports that say everything is <u>intact</u>.

Motion by Mae Bradshaw to approve the minutes of January 9, 2017 as amended. Seconded by Randy Crapo. Vote: 8-0-1. Abstained: Doug Abrams

2. Public Hearing 1/11/17: 2017/2018 School Budget

Motion by Craig Musselman to approve the minutes of January 11, 2017 as presented. Seconded by Mae Bradshaw. Vote: 8-0-1. Abstained: Doug Abrams

# 3. Public Hearing 1/12/17: 2017 Town Budget

Motion by Ralph Hickson to approve the minutes of January 12, 2017 as presented. Seconded by Mae Bradshaw. Vote: 7-0-8. Abstained: Doug Abrams and Shawn Crapo

#### III. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

To consider the proposed 2017 Budgets of:

### A. Jenness Beach Precinct

**Randy Crapo, Jenness Beach Precinct Representative**, reviewed the proposed 2017 Jenness Beach Precinct Budget for the committee.

Motion by Craig Musselman to recommend \$125,000 for the 2017 Jenness Beach Precinct Budget. Seconded by Ralph Hickson.

Member Bradshaw asked what the liability insurance covers.

Member R. Crapo explained that it is a policy to cover the Treasurer and the officers. It is errors and omissions insurance.

Member Hickson asked what the charge per hydrant is from Aquarion Water.

Member R. Crapo explained it is different per town. The charge is for the infrastructure. The fee is for the distance of lines in town between hydrants.

Member Bradshaw asked what the Tax Anticipation Note charge is used for.

Member R. Crapo explained if the taxes are not received in time from the town, the precinct will borrow money in anticipation of that payment. Years ago, when there was only one payment in taxes from the town, this may have been needed because that is the only revenue for the Precinct. The taxes are received in two payments now; July and December.

Vote: 9-0

Note: Jaci Grote arrived at 6:51 p.m. and stepped in as acting chair.

# B. Rye Water District

Art Ditto, Rye Water District Commissioner, presented the budget to the committee.

# <u>Highlights of the Budget</u>:

•	Executive	\$10,050
•	Finance	15,992
•	Legal	10,000
•	Complex Expense	51,400
•	Insurance	15,685
•	Advertising	4,300
•	Administration	385,108
•	Water Services	181,850
•	Water Treatment	224,000
•	Debt Service	170,502
•	Capital Outlay	150,000
	Total Appropriations	\$1,218,8878
•	Warrant Articles	30,000
•	Reserves/Trusts	60,000
•	Total Proposed Revenue	853,675
•	Total Tax Commitment	455,212
•	Total	\$1,308,887

- Portsmouth water rate will be increasing for 2017 from .81 to \$3.35 per 100 cubic feet.
- Rye Water District Rates will be increased to reflect the Portsmouth rate.
- Water District Rates will be increasing to reflect a new rate structure throughout the district, which will decrease the draw on the tax rate.

Motion by Doug Abrams to recommend \$1,218,887 for the Rye Water District Budget. Seconded by Ray Jarvis. Vote: 10-0

There was discussion on completed projects in 2016.

Note: Doug Abrams left the meeting at 7:25 p.m.

#### **Warrant Articles:**

# Article 2:

To see if the District will vote to establish an Expendable Trust Fund in accordance with RSA 31:19-a, for the purpose of creating a fund for Storage Tank Maintenance and to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty Thousand dollars (\$30,000) to be placed in this fund, and to designate the Rye Water District Commissioners as agents to expend. This appropriation is in addition to the operating budget. (Majority vote required.)

This Article is recommended by the Commissioners 3-0

Motion by Craig Musselman to recommend Article 2. Seconded by Ray Jarvis. Vote: 9-0

#### **Article 3:**

To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000) to be placed in the District's existing Distribution System Replacement and Improvement Capital Reserve Fund established for the purpose of replacing or enlarging the distribution system. This appropriation is in addition to the operating budget. (Majority Vote Required.)

This Article is recommended by the Commissioners 3-0

Motion by Craig Musselman to recommend Article 3. Seconded by Mae Bradshaw. Vote: 9-0

#### Article 4:

To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000) to be placed in the District's existing Expendable Trust Fund established to meet the costs of unanticipated expenses occurring during the fiscal year. This appropriation is in addition to the operating budget. (Majority Vote Required.)

This Article is recommended by the Commissioners 3-0

Motion by Shawn Crapo to recommend Article 4. Seconded by Mae Bradshaw. Vote: 9-0.

#### **Article 5**:

To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000) to be placed in the District's existing Equipment and Buildings Capital Reserve Fund established for the purpose of purchase, repair, modification, or replacement of equipment and buildings that support operations of the water distribution system. This appropriation is in addition to the operating budget. (Majority Vote Required.)

This Article is recommended by the Commissioners 3-0

Motion by Craig Musselman to recommend Article 5. Seconded by Ray Jarvis. Vote: 9-0.

## C. Rye Beach Village District

Frank Crapo, Rye Beach Village District Commissioner, presented the Village District Budget to the committee.

# <u>Highlights of the Budget</u>:

- Administration is decreasing from \$1,200 to \$1,000.
- Legal will stay at \$5,000.
- Maintenance Repair will remain at \$10,000 Covers the maintenance of the Village District Office Building.
- Fuel is decreasing to \$4,500.
- Electricity has increased to \$1,000 Due to the Sewer Department now renting space in the office building.
- Insurance has decreased by \$1,000 due to a change in carriers.
- Roadside/Boardwalk has increased a little to cover extra trimming and cleanup by Public Works.
- Sidewalk Budget will remain the same at \$25,000. This covers replacing sections that are broken and cracked.
- The district keeps a retainage in the amount of \$20,000.
- Proposed 2017 Budget \$129,850

Motion by Ralph Hickson to recommend \$129,850 for the Rye Beach Village District Budget. Seconded by Mae Bradshaw.

Vote: 9-0

# IV. OTHER BUSINESS

• None

# **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Craig Musselman to adjourn at 7:57 p.m. Seconded by Mae Bradshaw. All in favor.

Respectfully Submitted, Dyana F. Ledger

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TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2017, 6:30 p.m.
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