

Chairman Shaw called the meeting to order at 6:30pm in the Town Hall.

Members and term completion are; Dorianne Almann 2013, Michael W. Carrier 2012, Jerome Ebbighausen Selectman, John Hartnett 2012, Morris Klein 2011, Lewis D. Major 2013, Angela Schill 2013, Richard Shaw, Sr. 2011, Edwin O. Smith 2011, Peter W. Zavorotny 2012. Present: Almann, Carrier, Ebbighausen, Hartnett, Klein, Major, Schill, Shaw, Smith, Zavorotny.

Excused:

Absent: School Board representative.

Mr. Carrier moved to nominate Richard Shaw, Sr. as Chairman. Mr. Major seconded and passage was unanimous.

Mr. Ebbighausen moved to nominate Lewis D. Major as vice Chairman. Mr. Smith seconded and passage was unanimous.

Mr. Major moved to nominate Peter W. Zavorotny as Secretary. Second was by Mr. Smith and passage was unanimous.

Minutes for meeting 580 were accepted as printed.

Mr. Shaw had the Town expenses through March, 2010. He commented that the information is misleading as it includes the School District withdrawals which are not in the appropriations. Several members indicated that they would like to get these ahead of time to give them an opportunity to review before the meeting. Mr. Shaw will check into having them run earlier and sent to members. Perhaps Administrative Assistant Shaw will be able to e-mail to all members. Mr. Zavorotny will e-mail the March information.

The committee's approach to the budgeting process was and interaction with the Selectmen and School Board were discussed. Several members would like to change the process to allow for more review time. Perhaps also have a smaller group review the detail and report back to the full committee. There is also disagreement on what level of review is required, from looking at large items to scrutinizing each line. It was agreed to promote interaction between the boards, starting with a joint meeting with all concerned. The meeting was set for May 19, 2010 at 6:30 in the Town Hall. May 26, 2010 was set as a backup date if the 19th was not practical. Mr. Zavorotny is to send a letter to both the Selectmen and School Board outlining our desire to meet and discuss this issue. Assistant Superintendent Crisafulli and Assistant Business Manager O'Connor will also be advised. A copy is attached as part of this record.

Members also indicated they would like to see the capital spending plans. Mr. Zavorotny will supply that information in future planning cycles.

Mr. Ebbighausen commented that there is concern about decreased state aid and its impact on the Town.

Mr. Ebbighausen also indicated that some favorable changes have occurred with the fire truck purchase and the cost to the town will be less than anticipated.

The next regular meeting was scheduled for June 16, 2010 at 6:30 p.m. in the Town Hall.

The meeting adjourned at 7:18 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted

Peter W. Zavorotny
Recording Secretary