

BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
TOWN OF CONWAY, MA  
MINUTES  
JANUARY 30, 2006

**Meeting Open: 7:30**

**Present:** Joe Strzegowski, Jack Lockhead, Christina Conklin, Tom Spiro  
Finance Committee (for Budget Hearings) – Tom Donovan, Doug Baker, Roy Cohen, Beth Girshman

**Appointments**

**Budget Hearings**

**7:30 Town Clerk** – Virginia Knowlton

Ginny discussed her budget for 2007. Her requests were similar to the previous year with a slight reduction to advertising costs at \$300. The Elections and Board of Registrars were reviewed and approved as is.

**7:55 Treasurer & Tax Collector** – Elizabeth Braccia, Jan Warner

For the Treasurer, Account # 100-146-1000-0002 of \$1350.02 was closed. It was decided that an article would be added to the town warrant for \$5,000 for the purchase of CSC software. For the Accountant's budget, the school building audit will have an additional \$1,000 to cover possible cost increases. The line item for hiring an accountant was increased from \$3,000 to \$7,500. The line for town health insurance was increased from \$4,000 to \$8,000 for a total budget of \$234,400. Medicare insurance was increased from \$20,000 to \$22,000, and the unemployment insurance rate was also raised to reflect the 3% cost of living increase.

**8:30 Town Office/Selectboard/Planning Board** – Tom Spiro

Tom's annual salary was calculated based on 30 hours at \$16 p/hour which equaled \$24,960. The line item 100-159-5853-0000 for software was reduced to \$200. The total operating budget came to \$39,885.

**10:05** The Finance Committee adjourned.

**Meeting Items**

**10:10** Warrants – signed as per agenda

- § Building permits – as per agenda
- § Motion to approve minutes of 1/23/06 with changes was made by Christina and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jack, all in favor
- § Motion to sign the letter regarding a loan made to the Historical Society for septic system repairs from the Gifford Fund was made by Christina and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jack, all in favor

**10:30 Mail and Other Items**

- § As per agenda

**10:45 PM**                      **Motion** to adjourn by Christina, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jack, all in favor.