

BOARD OF SELECTMEN
TOWN OF CONWAY, MA
MINUTES
January 29, 2007

Meeting Open: 7:30

Present: Joe Strzegowski, Christina Conklin, Jack Lochhead, Tom Spiro
Finance Committee – Roy Cohen, Jim Bowman, Amy-Louise Pfeffer, Tanya Campbell

Appointments

Budget Hearings

7:30 Town Clerk – Virginia Knowlton

The Board of Registrars submitted the same budget as last year but increased the lay line item to \$3,000 to reflect an increase in the State minimum wage. Ginny asked a question concerning whether her Town Clerk salary item was to increase by 3% or 3.5% as a COLA.

8:00 Treasurer / Tax Collector – Liz Braccia, Jan Warner

Liz reported that the Accountant budget was \$18,000. She also noted an increase in hours for the Tax Collector position from 15 hours to 18 hours. Also, the health insurance budget assumed an additional employee raise as much as \$30,000.

9:00 Town Office / Selectboard – Tom Spiro

Tom presented his budget. Roy Cohen suggested a better backup of the Town's financial computers. Christina suggested adding \$250 to the Advertising budget. The Selectboard agreed to increase it's own stipend by 3% in line with the COLA for town employees.

Meeting Items

- § Approved minutes of 1/22/07
- § The new Finance Committee members were sworn in by Ginny.
- § The FC suggested that the Contingency Fund be increased to \$6,000 and the Reserve Fund be increased to \$10,000.
- § At the suggestion of the SB the FC voted for a 3% COLA increase for FY 2008 plus up to ½ a percent salary adjustment.
- § The SB voted to appoint Ginny as 2010 Census liaison.
- § There was a discussion of the right-of-way along the South River on the Moore property.

Mail and Other Items

- § Warrant as per agenda
- § Other mail items as per agenda

10:40 PM

Motion to adjourn by Christina, 2nd by Jack, all in favor.