

**PHIPPSBURG BUDGET COMMITTEE**  
**Meeting Minutes – February 28, 2017**

Attendees:

Budget Committee: Ethan Debery, David Flaherty, Chris Mixon, Ed Toombs, Kim Albertson and Bill Perkins

Town Administrator: Amber Jones

The meeting was called to order by Chairman, Ed Toombs, at 6:00 pm

- 1) Meetings Minutes for February 17, 2017 submitted
  - a. Motion made to accept Minutes as submitted Kim Albertson Abstains from vote. Motion carried 5-1-0
  
- 2) Recreation Commission Request presented by Michelle Sloan
  - a) FY18 Budget Request is \$12,000 (same as FY17)
  - b) No changes from last year
  - c) Exercise classes are very popular
  - d) Movie nights are a big hit
  - e) It would be nice for the Rec Committee to have community input on activity planning
  - f) Budget Committee moved to recommend the request as submitted. Motion Carried 6-0
  
- 2) Conservation Commission (CF) Request
  - a) FY18 Budget Request is \$0
  - b) No action required by Budget committee
  
- 3) Town Lands Management (CF) Request presented by Anna Varian
  - a) FY18 Budget Request is \$0
  - b) There was a request from a resident to have the Totman Preserve Road maintained year round
  - c) Town Lands Management commission does not think that is a viable activity
  - d) No action required by Budget committee
  
- 4) Police- General (CF) Request presented by John Skroski
  - a) FY18 Budget Request is \$15,500 (same as FY17)
  - b) All PD budgets are level funded this year
  - c) There will be staffing changes in the Police dept. this year
  - d) It is difficult to find qualified Candidates
  - e) Budget Committee moved to recommend the request as submitted. Motion Carried 6-0
  
- 5) Police Capital (Vehicle) (CF) Request presented by John Skroski
  - a) FY18 Budget Request is \$8,000 (Same as FY17)
  - b) The sedan has the most mileage at this time with close to 70k
  - c) Hopefully ford will keep the same body styles so that all accessories will move over into a new vehicle when the time comes
  - d) Tires are expensive because of the style tire that is recommended on the Cruisers
  - e) Budget Committee moved to recommend the request as submitted. Motion Carried 6-0

- 6) Parking Enforcement (CF) Request presented by John Skroski
  - a) FY18 Budget Request is \$1,400 (Same as FY17)
  - b) Very busy summer that year
  - c) The state pays a small stipend for the parking enforcement at Popham
  - d) Last year the stipend was increased but the town is planning to ask for more this year
  - e) The State is reconfiguring the entrance to the park to help with getting traffic in the parking lot and off of the roadway
  - f) Budget Committee moved to recommend the request as submitted. Motion Carried 6-0
  
- 7) Bike Rodeo Request presented by John Skroski
  - a) FY18 Budget Request is \$0
  - b) Funded by donations
  - c) Now conducting the event biannually
  - d) No action required by Budget committee
  
- 8) Animal Control (CF) Request presented by John Skroski
  - a) FY18 Budget Request is \$1,500 (same as FY17)
  - b) We have a new ACO this year Norm Turner
  - c) Drop in income due to less late fees collected for dog licenses
  - d) Budget Committee moved to recommend the request as submitted. Motion Carried 6-0
  
- 9) Town Landing Maintenance (CF) Request presented by Chris Mixon
  - a) FY18 Budget Request is \$5,200 (increase of \$5,200 from FY17)
  - b) Last year we did not ask for anything because we ate up our carry forward
  - c) Added 2 lines to the accounting spreadsheet to capture float installation and removal for Meadowbrook and Acre Lot
  - d) Budget Committee moved to recommend the request as submitted. Chris Mixon Abstains from vote Motion Carried 5-1-0
  
- 10) Town landings Capital (CF) Request presented by Chris Mixon
  - a) FY18 Budget Request is \$0
  - b) No new funding required this year
  - c) Money in Capital account is intended for matching grant funds from SHIP program to repair Popham Warf Committee moved to recommend the request as submitted.
  - d) No action required by Budget committee

Meeting was adjourned at 7:18 pm