

Dover Warrant Committee
Minutes of the January 4, 2012 meeting

Members in attendance: David Melville- Chairman, James Stuart, Rich Forte, John Cone, Kathy Gill-Body, Kate Bush, Andrew Waugh, Bob Cocks, Maureen Arkle

Non-members in attendance: Jim Dawley (Dover Selectmen)

Location: Dover Town House

David Melville called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Mr. Barry Clough, Town Clerk presented the Town Clerk budget. Mr. Clough pointed out that the increases to the budget are attributed to additional benefits associated with the assistant moving from part-time to full-time and the additional costs of an election year that will conduct at least three elections which involve staffing, programming the machines. Total increase in the budget is 8.29% from \$114,279 to \$123,749.

Dr. Barbara Roth-Schechter, member of the Board of Health presented the Board of Health budget. Requesting a \$1,000 increase for garbage collection as the provider has increased pick-up at the schools to 5 days a week. The other contributor to the increase in budget is the request for an additional \$3,752 for professional services to provide the substance abuse program. Total budget increase of 7.30% from \$76,671.24 to \$82,046.

Ms. Janet Claypool, director Council on Aging and Ms. Barbara Murphy, board member presented the COA budget. Ms. Claypool presented an update on the programs provided in 2011 and the new programs for 2012-2013. Total increase in budget is up \$6,219 to \$117,745.

Mr. Cone made a motion to approve the minutes of the December 14, 2011 meeting. Second by Mr. Waugh. Approved 9-0-0

Mr. Melville presented a Reserve Fund Transfers from the Board of Selectmen: Labor costs relating to tropical storm Irene and the October 30 snow storm in the amount of \$23,203.57 for pay for fire department personnel.

Mr. Waugh made a motion to approve the transfer, second by Mr. Cone. Approved 9-0-0

Mr. Cocks will be coordinating the input of data for all the budgets and the Blue Book and Mr. Stuart will coordinate the assembly of the Blue Book and get it to the printer.

Liaison Reports:

- Capital Budget- Mr. Cone invited members of the Committee to attend a 7:30 AM meeting on January 10 at the Fire Station to get a tour and see the equipment first hand.
- Regional Schools- Ms. Bush and Ms. Gill-Body- the working group, composed of 2 representatives each from Sherborn Advisory, Dover Warrant, Regional School, Ms. Spriggs,

Superintendent of Schools, and Ms. Tague, Business Manager Schools will hold their first meeting January 30

Being no other reports or business before the Committee, Mrs. Arkle made a motion to adjourn, second by Mrs. Gill-Body. Meeting adjourned at 8:01 PM.

Next meeting is scheduled for January 18, 2012 at 7 PM in the Dover Town House.

Respectfully submitted,
W. Richard Forte, Jr.