

Joint Selectmen Pelham Finance Committee, In attendance: Bill Martell, John Trickey, Jay Leonard, Tara Loomis, Fred Vanderbrook

Minutes 1/11/16

Meeting 6:00 PM

John Tricky outlined the state of the town finances in general terms, (generally negative)

Department heads to use 2% as wage increases (prospectively)

Additional requests please list and put on the side

All meetings with finance committee to be completed by 3/3

Questions/discussion

DPW capital spending still in review

Library proceeding on project may have some additional expense

School looks to have ~\$11k in net new capital expense (computers and other)

Police Fire needs some software updates

Fire needs turn-out gear ~\$6k

Adjourn 6:13

Reconvene Finance committee only 6:20

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Read & approve minutes

Discussion about regional budget allocation plan

John Reported attending School committee December meeting and requested meeting on

Regionalization and requested a budget increase not to exceed 2.5%

Update on capital planning meeting

Old Business

Discussion of dates for budget meetings

Bill Martell Joined 6:53

New business being none

Next meeting Feb 4th

Meeting adjourned 6:56

Pelham Finance Committee

Budget Guidelines for the 2017 Budgets

Pelham financial situation:

No new money is expected from the State-will be fortunate to hang on to what we have been receiving

Little Growth expected in our property tax collection

Planning Board is actively working on the Town Center proposal and the Housing Committee is funding a total town survey of all land to determine what is possible for Affordable Housing. This information can also be used by the Planning Board to determine potential site for additional building activity.

The Governor will release his budget later this month

2% increase in wages

Additional requests for increases should be listed on your forms and the Finance Committee will do its best to provide those funds.

Please use the forms provided when you meet with the Finance Committee. If the time of your meeting does not work please contact me, and I will find another slot. Once again, if you want to be level funded, you do not need to attend a hearing, just notify me.