

**TOWN OF CHESTERFIELD
BUDGET COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
FEBRUARY 5, 2013**

Present: Bayard Tracy, Chairman; John Koopmann, Rich Kalich, Jeff Morse, Mike Wiggin, Spofford Fire & Rescue Precinct; Dan Cotter, Elaine Levlocke, Selectboard Representative; Frank Underwood, Chesterfield Fire & Rescue Precinct.

Bayard called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM

Elaine moved to accept the January 26th School Public Hearing Minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by John and passed unanimously.

Elaine moved to consider the January 29th minutes. The motion was seconded by John. Mike Wiggin stated that the stipend for the Chief was \$4,316 in 2012. The Stipend was \$2,950 and \$1,366 for calls. The stipend is being raised to \$4,000 in 2013.

Dan moved to approve the January 29th minutes as amended. The motion was seconded by Jeff and passed unanimously.

Elaine moved to approve the minutes from January 30th as amended. The motion was seconded by John and passed unanimously.

Town – Bart submitted Heavy Equipment CRF analysis with the \$85,000 contribution this year. He is \$11,729 short on purchasing the truck. The account stays short until 2018. The contribution was shorted by \$23,000 in 2009. The reason for the shortfall was due to the change in equipment being purchased. The trucks last 10 to 12 years. The dealers quadruple miles used on a Town truck in their calculation of trade in value. Cab & Chassis with International is \$85,000. Freightliner is \$88,850. Hydraulics, plows, body, etc are another \$80,000. Bart returns more than this every year in the Budget. Bart was hoping that the Committee and the Town could come to an agreement. He will step up at Town Meeting and request the increase at Town Meeting.

Steve suggested via e-mail a philosophical discussion in early spring with the Committee, Selectboard, School Board and the Fire Commissioners.

The School District Meeting will be March 9th, The Town Meeting is March 12th and the Fire Precincts are March 19th.

The Committee signed the DRA budget forms for the Town budget, Chesterfield Fire Precinct budget and the Spofford Fire Precinct budget.

Jeff moved to adjourn at 8:05 PM. The motion was seconded by John and passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,
Amy LaFontaine
Secretary