Present: Charlie Champagne (Chairman), Dale Gabel, Bill Gurney, Tom Warren, and Sturdy Thomas (Selectman’s Representative)  
Absent: Rich Scheinblum, Judy Knapp  
Also Present: Sherry Miller - Town Administrator

Charlie called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

Minutes from the January 5th meeting were reviewed. Sturdy moved the minutes be approved as presented. Dale seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

A brief review of the fourth quarter financials was conducted.

Sherry presented updated information on insurance for the next fiscal year:
- Health Insurance 01-4155.2-812 $199,655.33
- Property Liability 01-4196.1-480 $30,308.49

Sturdy moved and Dale seconded a motion to approve the Health Insurance cost. The motion passed unanimously.

Dale moved and Bill seconded a motion to approve the Property Liability cost. The motion passed unanimously.

This brought the Budget Committee total for the proposed budget to $1,937,438.19.

A brief discussion on departments with increased funding was held. The Fire Department increase is the result of Ambulance costs. The repair of the culvert in the village led to increases in the Highway budget.

Dale moved and Bill seconded that the Committee recommend a budget of $1,937,438.19. The motion was approved with one abstention.

A brief review of the revenues projected in the budget was held. Police Department grants are reduced due to the Town’s ineligibility for highway grants due to our low incidence of automobile accidents.

The transfer from Special Revenues ($4,000) is for the storage container in the Solid Waste budget.  
The transfer from Trust & Agency ($4,500) is for the replacement of the Cemetery tractor.  
Further discussion followed with no action taken by the Committee.

Warrant Articles:  
Article 6: Paving of the Town Hall/Library Parking Lot ($25,000)  
Dale moved and Sturdy seconded a motion to recommend approval of Article 6. The motion passed unanimously.
Article 7: 2016 Operating Budget ($1,937,438.19)
This article was approved earlier in the meeting.

Article 8: Phase II Project ($137,010)
Dale moved and Sturdy seconded a motion to recommend approval of Article 8. The motion passed unanimously.

Article 9: Purchase of a Grader ($260,000)
Sturdy moved and Bill seconded a motion to recommend approval of Article 9. The motion passed unanimously.

Article 10: Replacement of the roof at the Highway Garage ($18,400)
Dale moved and Tom seconded a motion to recommend approval of Article 10. The motion passed unanimously.

Article 11: Replacement of the roof at the Police Station ($9,100)
Charlie moved and Sturdy seconded a motion to recommend approval of Article 11. The motion was approved unanimously.

Article 12: Replacement of the roof on the Post Office ($11,430)
Charlie moved and Dale seconded a motion to recommend approval of Article 12. The motion was approved unanimously.

Article 13: Purchase of 20’ Storage Container at the Transfer Station ($4,000)
Sturdy moved and Tom seconded a motion to recommend approval of Article 13. The motion passed unanimously.

Article 14: Tractor to be used primarily by the Cemetery Department ($3,400)
Sturdy moved and Tom seconded a motion to recommend approval of Article 14. The motion passed unanimously.

Article 15: Capital Reserve Funds ($283,000)
Sturdy moved and Tom seconded a motion to recommend approval of Article 15. The motion passed unanimously.

Article 16: Playground equipment for Dublin Consolidated School ($25,000)
Charlie moved and Bill seconded a motion not to recommend approval of Article 16. The motion passed by a vote of 3-2.

Article 17: Dublin Advocate ($4,000)
Dale moved and Tom seconded a motion to recommend approval of Article 17. The motion passed with 1 abstention.

Article 18: Contributions to local social service agencies ($7,799)
Dale moved and Bill seconded a motion not to recommend approval of Article 18.
The motion passed by a vote of 3-2.

Article 19: Funds to be raised for various Expendable Trust Funds ($20,675)
Dale moved and Sturdy seconded a motion to recommend approval of Article 19.
The motion passed unanimously.

Article 20: Acceptance of Cemetery Trust Funds ($575)
No action required.

Next meeting is scheduled for February 10, 2016 at 6:30 p.m.
If the Hearing is postponed due to inclement weather, the Committee will meet on
February 11.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Dale and seconded by Sturdy. The
motion carried at 7:58 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

William B. Gurney