Dublin Budget Committee
Meeting Minutes
October 23, 2018

Present: Steve Baldwin, Nancy Campbell, Charlie Champagne (Chairman), Bill Gurney, Judy Knapp, Sturdy Thomas (Selectman’s Representative) and Susie Vogel

Also present: Celeste Snitko (Library), Geoff Pinney

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Champagne.

Minutes from the October 16, 2018 meeting were moved by Bill, seconded by Susie and approved as amended.

Minutes from the October 17, 2018 budget hearing for the special town meeting were moved by Susie, seconded by Bill and approved as amended.

Celeste presented the Library budget:

**Library Director Salary:** Increase due to increase of 4 hours/per week (3 hours on Monday morning and 1 hour on Saturday). This increases to 5 hours/per week during the school year due to the after-school program on Tuesdays. The rate didn't change.

**Assistant Librarian & Assist Salaries:** Increase due to increase of 4 hours/per week (3 hours on Monday morning and 1 hour on Saturday) in assistant salaries. This increases to 5 hours/per week during the school year due to the after-school program on Tuesdays. The rate didn't change.

**Social Security and Medicare** Increased due to salary increases.

**Telephone:** Even though the "actual" is higher than "budgeted" amount, it should be only be $116/month

**Electricity:** Increase is based on town rate

**Heating Oil:** Increase is based on town rate

**Building Repair & Maintenance:** There might have to be repairs done to the roof since it is leaking where the new addition meets the original building and the slate roof around the chimney.

**Postage:** Decrease is due to decrease in the number of mailings.

**Professional Development:** Actual was higher due to trustees attending annual meeting. This varies from year to year.
Judy asked how many hours a week Betty is now working. Since Betty is now working over 30 hours per week, will she be eligible for town health insurance (or Medicomp)? Celeste and Sturdy will check with the attorney.

All other lines remained the same as last year.

**Library Warrant Articles:**

- **Replace the carpet** in the entire addition and stairs with carpet squares: $15,000. Current carpet is 18 years old. Might work with the Police Department to see if it can be a better buy if we combine.

- **Paint the Function Room and Downstairs library entrance:** $2,500. Bathroom will be included. They have checked for mold and it is mold free.

**Cemetery:** Budget is the same as last year. There are no questions.

**Cemetery Warrant Article:** $3,500 for a new tractor (the old tractor will be traded in).

**Summer Playground:** Attendance this year was 57 children of which 14 were non-residents (this includes out-of-town grandchildren).

**Dublin Community Center:** They will be meeting with the BOS next Monday re their request for assistance from the town. Therefore, we will postpone meeting with them until November 27.

**Conservation Commission:** We will reschedule their meeting until November 27.

Steve presented his idea on the **Highway Garage addition.** He suggested clearing out the top floor that is currently used as an office and remodeling it into an office and breakroom. It would be approximately the same size as the one presented by Sterling Abram. Steve has spoken to Roger and Roger will consider Steve's proposal as a possibility. Susie is concerned about the fumes from the trucks and machinery. Sturdy will follow-up with Roger.

Sturdy said that we should have salary recommendations from the BOS by the November 27th meeting.

Judy will send the revised Budget schedule to members of the committee.

The next meeting will be Tuesday, November 13 to discuss **Executive** and **Warrant Articles.**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Judith A. Knapp, Co-Secretary