ASHLAND BOARD OF SELECTMEN WORKSESSION MONDAY, JANUARY 25, 2016 Ashland Town Office

MINUTES

Chairman DeWolfe called the meeting to order at 8:32 AM with a roll call. Leigh Sharps, Phil Preston, Normand DeWolfe, Fran Newton, present.

Others Present: Town Administrator Heather Thibodeau, Pat Crowell, Patsy Tucker, Brenda Paquette, David Ruell

This meeting was called late Friday afternoon to discuss the 10% budget appropriation limitation on the warrant referencing RSA 32:18-a.

David Ruell explained why the Board (governing body of the municipality) needs to vote in favor of the bond request. The budget committee did not recommend the request. He said as the articles are listed, half of the articles would not have been funded. After much discussion, DeWolfe motioned to recommend the library bond. Preston seconded. All in favor 3-1. Preston moved to insert "Passage of this article shall override the 10 percent limitation imposed on this appropriation due to the non-recommendation of the budget committee". DeWolfe seconded. All in favor 4-0.

The Board discussed Article 3 on the warrant which has a total price to include interest. Since interest is an unknown figure, DRA said to change the wording.

Water & Sewer Dept. have not submitted the DRA form, Electric Dept. has. Patsy Tucker said that Sue MacLeod and Walter (Town's attorney) are working on the zoning articles. DRA will need to approve.

Newton asked about advertising SB-2. The banners will be going up today. Newton suggested advertising on Destination Ashland and Pemi-Baker TV.

DeWolfe asked that the Christmas decorations that are up at the front door be taken down. It was suggested that since the default budget is wrong in the Voter's Guide an errata page be inserted.

Newton will inform Water and Sewer that if they want to do a presentation at the SB-2, they will need to contact the moderator.

Felton called but he was told since Preston had left already that he would not be able to vote.

There being no other business, DeWolfe moved to adjourn at 9:14AM. Newton seconded. All in favor 3-0

Respectfully Submitted, Patricia Crowell 1-26-15