

ASHLAND BUDGET COMMITTEE MEETING
August 25, 2017

Meeting called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Budget Committee Chairman Jeanette Stewart. Roll call vote: Present: David Ruell, Eli Badger, Bobbi Hoerter, and Sandra Coleman. Jamie Lyford . absent with notice, and Harold Lamos, absent without notice.

Badger moved, and Hoerter seconded approving July 31, 2017, Budget Committee Minutes. Unanimous yea vote approving minutes.

The Budget Committee jointly discussed future budget meetings as well as scheduling the various department heads. The following schedule was approved:

August 30, 2017 (Wed.) @ 6:00 p.m. (Fire Station) Departments appearing: Fire Department, Police Department and Park & Recreation Department to present 2018 Budget. The Budget Committee agreed that if we could complete a review of all 3 departments, we will extend our meeting until 8:00 p.m.

After September, 2017, school begins all future Budget Committee Meetings will be held at the Ashland Elementary School Library.

September 8, 2017 (Fri.) @ 6:00 p.m. Departments appearing: Public Works & Town Library.

September 15, 2017 (Fri.) @ 6:00 p.m. Departments appearing: Executive, Finance, Town Clerk, miscellaneous smaller departments

September 25, 2017 (Mon.) @ 6:00 p.m. Departments appearing: Electric Department

October 23, 2017 (Mon.) @ 6:00 p.m. Departments appearing: Water & Sewer Department

Chairman Stewart will notify Charlie Smith of our meeting dates and schedule of various departments. Both Charlie Smith and Chairman Stewart will contact the various department heads to notify them of their scheduled dates.

Coleman stated for clarification purposes that at the 7/31/17 Budget Meeting Chairman Stewart passed out blank August and September calendars and had asked all Budget Committee members to mark dates they were "not" available for meetings. The Budget Committee did not pick Fridays at random or for any ulterior purpose.

Sherrie Downing arrived at 6:30 p.m.

Ruell asked Coleman if the School Board was going to appoint an alternate to her position as School Board Liaison. Coleman indicated she will ask the School Board this question at their next meeting.

Coleman asked what date Petitioned Warrant Articles need to be submitted. Ruell looked in his paperwork and found law states it to be before the second Tuesday of January, which is January 9, 2018.

Meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Bobbi Hoerter - Budget Committee Member