

## **ASHLAND BUDGET COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 2021 5 PM**

**Chairman Stewart called the meeting to order at 5 pm with a roll call. DR, here, KH, here, EB here, JS, here, absent with notice SC and LN. Also present were town manager Fred, and the financial assistant, Marissah.**

**Fred went over his budget with the committee. The chairman asked about PB cam and how much it would cost per hour. Marissah said she would find out and get back to the chairman. Fred said the state changes rules for training so many have to take the classes. The cable line is because the town is going to broadband. Spectrum's contract with the town ran out.**

**Mr. Lane's electricity was shut off due to non payment.**

**Fred is trying to clean up the overdue accounts, and we are now making money for the electric department rather than being in debt.**

**At the highway department the wooden and steel beams need to be replaced.**

**The patriotic purposes line needs to be added to the police and fire budgets.**

**The wooden poles on North Ashland Road are being replaced with steel poles.**

**February is the deliberative session. The committee discussed the legal line.**

**The town has a new cleaning company and they are doing a great job. They have been with the town in August. The board agreed that the executive budget was done very well. Ann from Park and Recreation came in by then Fred was all done with his budget.**

**We talked about the electrical bill for Memorial Park that is in Park and Recreation budget. Ann did a great job on her budget and the board seemed to be pleased with everything.**

**After Ann left, we discussed when to have our next meeting. The board decided on Dec 9<sup>th</sup> and Dec 14<sup>th</sup> if the conference room is available, Eli will check to see what dates are available. David is going to check with the library about meeting next week. The chairman will check with public works & electric, police, and water and sewer.**

**Respectfully Submitted,**

**Jeanette Stewart, Chairman**