

Min of Ashland Budget Committee  
November 14, 2023

Meeting was called to order at 1802,

Lee Nicholas was appointed Secretary,

Roll taken,

Present: Kendall Hughes, Jamie Lyford, David Unangst, David Ruel, Sandra Colman, Lee Nicholas, Jessie Farris and Andy Fitch.

Ann Barney was absent with notice, Selectman Alternative Fitch took her place.

Handout with dated for Budget was passed out.

A letter from Town Clerk was read, and it was decided to invite her to the first meeting with department heads.

Discussion on when to meet it was decided,

Nov 21, for the Committee to review proposed budget,

December 7 Town Manager, Finance and Town Clerk.

December 12 Fire Department and Police department.

December 19 Water, Sewer and Electric

December 21, DPW and Parks and Recreation.

For the School it was decided to meet provided we have the budget

Jan 4 and 9<sup>th</sup>

The Open Hearing on the Budget will be January 11 with a snow date of the 12.

This will be checked with the Town Manager and School superintendent. We have till the 16th of Jan to hold but we have a holiday in between.

The handout was passed out explaining the 4 questions the Budget committee has asked of the Town Manager. Sandy was not satisfied with the answer and Kendall and Andy explained to her that when we changed to a town Manager form of government, we changed the "form of government" thus different RSA are in effect with the Governance of the Utilities.

General discussion on the review of the Budget.

The proposed Town Budget was passed and asked to be reviewed prior to our next meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 1915.

Submitted by Kendall Hughes

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