

**TOWN OF THOMPSON BOARD OF SELECTMEN
SPECIAL MEETING – BUDGETS
SENEY COMMUNITY ROOM TOWN HALL
FEBRUARY 23, 2015
MINUTES**

PRESENT: Paul Lenky, First Selectman, Kerstin Forrester, Selectman, Shaina Smith,
Selectman, Orla McKiernan-Raftery
Others: Kevin Walsh

Paul Lenky called the meeting to order at 1:45 p.m.

- 1101 – Board of Finance
 - Questioned legal with no spending for current year. Need to review invoices
 - Annual report – who generates?
 - Audit Contract fee for 2016?
- 1102 – Board of Selectmen
 - No wage increases
 - NECCOG – will meet with them on 2/24/15 for budget input
 - CCM – what is basis of charge?
 - Council of Small Towns – basis and for what service?
 - Annual & Special Town meetings – where was cost for 2014?
- 1201 First Selectman
 - No salary increase
 - Need to sort out and define what is needed for Personnel Director/Exec. Assistant and Secretary Clerk.
 - Eliminate IT Director from salary – move cost to Data Processing under Professional Services
 - Move Webmaster line to Data Processing – reduces budget by \$2,500
 - Printing and Publication - \$500 for postage for a Selectmen's Update Newsletter
 - Reduce office supplies to \$750
 - Miscellaneous = labor law posters @ \$125, Providence & Worcester RR Fees, Flowers Town Hall grounds/Christmas decorations, tape recorder expenses
- 1202 Data Processing
 - Profession Service – Systems Solution per agreement
 - Software – Microsoft Office for Finance Director
 - Added Webmaster from First Selectman's budget @ \$2500
- 1701 Town Counsel
 - Rene Morin provided input for Tax Collector Legal
 - Current year legal for Zoning is due to Star Road issues and public meeting

- Labor proposed is reduced because of no union negotiation and current year costs for carry-over of personnel suits/ legal costs
- 2401 Canine Operation
 - No change is requests
 - Noted that Animal Control officer often provides food and other supplies from personal funds.
- 1801 Town Hall Building
 - Reduce evening custodian hours to 10 per week.
 - Added \$4,000 for carpet cleaning and floor buffing
 - Reduced building repairs/maintenance to \$8,500 and moved elevator service contract to a separate line

Motion to adjourn at 5:30 p.m. M/S Shaina Smith/Kerstin Forrester; unanimous

Recorded and submitted
Kerstin Forrester, Selectman