

Town of Lincoln

Budget Board Meeting

April 10, 2012

Present:

**Linda Noble Claudette Lussier Carl Brunetti Mike Babbitt
William DiBiasio Bob Turner Richard Foster Domenic Ricci
Paul DiDomenico Maria Marcello Hagop Jawharjian**

Absent:

There were no members absent.

Call to Order

The meeting began at 7:33 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of April 9th were distributed for review.

William DiBiasio made a motion, seconded by Domenic Ricci to approve the minutes.

The minutes were accepted by unanimous vote.

Correspondence

The Budget Board discussed the amount in Debt Service that they had questions about, and the Finance Director had corresponded with an answer saying that it was part of the accounting required by GASB, but the Budget Board still would like more clarification

regarding this.

There was also information received by the Budget Board from the schools regarding the air conditioning project for the high school auditorium.

Bob Turner made a motion, seconded by Carl Brunetti, to write a resolution for the recommendation of funding of the auditorium cooling project.

It was noted that the estimate of \$115,000 did not include any cleaning up after the project is complete.

They have spent money on the study of the project in order to provide specifications and estimate information.

The Budget Board discussed that if they decide not to put in a resolution for the project, since it was not a high priority in the capital improvement proposal, the schools could then put the resolution in themselves by obtaining the 100 signatures before the Financial Town Meeting.

The motion was denied by unanimous vote.

The Water Commission did submit some information for the budget, but the Budget Board corresponded with them indicating that they need more information.

Public Comment

There was no public comment or questions at the time.

Discussion/Final Vote

Resolutions

Resolution I

The Budget Board will review previous wording changes of Resolution I.

Senior Center Bocce Court Canopy

There were plans submitted by the Town Council with a new estimate of up to \$60,000.

The Budget Board will wait for vote until more research can be done on the specifications of the project.

Technology and Media Center

The Budget Board will wait for vote on this resolution until they have more information as to whether the funds could be appropriated at a certain amount before any grants are distributed without jeopardizing the Town's receiving grants from RIDE.

If the Town can proceed with the resolution, the Budget Board discussed whether it would be broken down to include what the project would provide and that could be done by having an addendum to the budget with that information.

It could also be mentioned in the budget message.

Resolution Fairlawn Roof Repairs

Information, including color pictures, from the Town Administrator was received regarding the roof repairs at Fairlawn.

The Budget Board questioned how the roof was drained because no drainage seemed to appear on the plans.

The resolution had already been voted upon.

The Budget Board discussed that the Town is able to complete these projects out of surplus without going for a tax increase, but if revenues, such as from Twin River, decrease they may not always have surplus to do such projects with.

Budget Board Message

A draft of the Budget Board Annual Budget Message was distributed and discussed.

Budget Inclusions

The Budget Board is discussed information that is necessary to include in the budget for the Financial Town Meeting.

Inclusions to the budget for informational purposes are:

School Department Summary

School Department Personnel Salary Schedule

Technology Resolution Addendum

Town Schedule of Debt Service Requirements

Town General Long-Term Debt

Schedule of Fund Balances

Water Commission Information

Sewer Fund Detail

Police Detail Information

The Budget Board is still waiting for information regarding the Senior Center Bocce Court Canopy, revenue information, detail from the Water Commission, and information from the School Department regarding Technology Media Center and the RIDE opinion on proceeding with the Lime Acres grant project.

Public Comment

There was no public comment or questions at the time.

Adjourn

Hagop Jawharjian made a motion, seconded by Domenic Ricci, to adjourn.

The meeting adjourned at 9:32 pm.