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## **Budget Committee minutes for March 27, 2019 meeting**

Board members present: Ben Kilanski-Selectmen's Rep, Chester Lapointe, Theresa Sepe & Lindseigh Picard-School Board Rep.

Meeting opens at 6:00pm.

Theresa would like it on the record that Selectman Kilanski has called today's budget committee meeting.

Theresa & Lindseigh both stated that the board should not choose the chairman until there is a full board and because not all the volunteer interest applicants are here we should not make any decision tonight. Let's give the others a chance to speak on why they would like to be on the budget committee. Chester agreed that it was late notice for the applicants to make the meeting.

Ben stated that we should keep the same structure of the meetings for both town & school the same as last year. Having all the Dept Heads come in on a Saturday. The board agreed.

Theresa asked Sherman Tedford how the tax rate is calculated. Sherman stated that it's based on the mill rate, value of the property, appropriations minus the revenues. Theresa asked any major concerns with revenues from last year. Sherman said the town is here to make money. You have to look at what is best for the town and what can we afford.

Lindseigh asked Sherman his thoughts on new blood vs. experience. Sherman said that new blood could be good. I have the experience, but you still need to listen and review the budgets. You can't nitpick. Sherman stated that he wouldn't be hurt if not chosen but he is here to help.

Ben stated that he likes the idea of fresh set eyes.

Theresa stated let's keep it open and post it, so people have the opportunity to sign-up.

The board agreed to post the vacant seat until May 1<sup>st</sup> and have the next budget meeting May 8<sup>th</sup> @6pm. Post at the Post offices, Town Hall, Kulick's, Website. Lindseigh said she would have it posted on the schools Facebook page. Also, post that budget committee is looking for a volunteer to take the minutes of the meetings.

Theresa stated that RSA 32:15 states that only the members at large shall be elected as chair or vice chair. Not the Selectmen's Rep or School Board Rep.

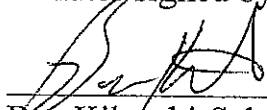
Ben asked for a list of dates and what was done at last years meeting.

Lindseigh makes a motion to adjourn. Theresa seconds the motion. Motion carries 4-0.

Minutes respectfully submitted:

Karey Miner, Town Administrator

Minutes signed by:



Ben Kilanski-Selectmen's Rep.



Karey Miner, Town Administrator