Wiscasset Budget Committee Meeting

Wiscasset Municipal Building

January 8, 2015

Chairman Hendricks called the Wiscasset Budget Committee to order at 6:00 p.m.

Members present: Norman Guidiboni, Vince Thibeault, Branden Perreault, Robert Blagden, Clifford Hendricks and Neil Page.

Discussion:

1. Need to discuss efficiencies in a few areas.
2. Ambulance:
   1. Look at 5-10 years of records to show all facts on bills from other towns. What does the contract show and update the contract to reflect real costs.
   2. Why does the Ambulance keep losing money and other companies make money.
3. Town Planner:
   1. Why do we need one?
4. Town Assessor:
   1. Contract out
5. Executive Secretary:
   1. Do we really need one?
6. Transfer Station:
   1. Why is there 3-4 people at the same time working? Do we really need a manager?
7. Recreation Center and Senior Center:
   1. Continual loss.
   2. Give it away to YMCA
8. Town Property:
   1. Give it away
   2. Scout Hall, Art Gallery, Mason Station.
9. Contracts:
   1. School and Teachers (with school closing how many years are there on the contracts).
   2. Heating Oil.
10. Will Wiscasset Budget Committee be looking at the School Budget? If we are looking then the school budget needs to get to the Wiscasset Budget Committee.
11. Town Audit from RHR Smith, is it complete and if so where is it?
12. Eliminate the 3/12th of the prior year’s budget for any department that fails to pass.
13. Will the Town Manager ask for a flat increase or dcrease?
14. Norman Guidiboni moved to adjourn, seconded by Robert Blagden. 6-0 8:02 p.m.