



**TOWN COUNCIL  
BUDGET WORKSHOP  
MEETING MINUTES  
APRIL 5, 2016**

Christopher Brunelle, At Large 2016  
Eric Metivier, District 1 2016  
Roger Bickford, District 2, 2016  
Dale Crafts, At Large 2017  
Normand Albert, At Large 2018  
Kasie Kolbe, District 1 2018  
Allen Ward, District 2 2018

**CALL TO ORDER.** The Chairman, Roger Bickford, called the meeting to order and waived the pledge of allegiance to the flag at 7:00 PM.

**ROLL CALL.** Members present were Councilors Bickford, Brunelle, Metivier, Crafts, Albert, Kolbe, and Ward. Also present were Diane Barnes, Town Manager; Mark Stevens, Parks & Recreation Director; and approximately two citizens in the audience.

**PARKS & RECREATION**

Mr. Stevens presented the Parks budget. He mentioned the salary line was his stipend for managing the Parks. Line 5110 wages are for regular employees and 5112 is for temporary seasonal employees now. 5140 is for uniforms and safety equipment. Line 5330 increased \$1,400 for park trail maintenance to cover the new Androscoggin River Trail's needs. There is always ongoing maintenance, repair of drainage, and things like that. He said they also need to do some work on the Miller Trail from last fall's washout. He said the increase in line 5345 for equipment and maintenance is for purchasing a new plow blade for the new plow truck. Purchasing a new trailer was in that line, but they did that recently so he proposed that line be reduced from \$9,228 to (-\$1,128) \$8,100.

Councilor Ward asked that Mr. Stevens look for items that can be purchased this year to eliminate purchasing them next year by using funds from either Parks or Recreation since they are now under one department.

Mr. Stevens presented the Recreation budget. Line 5110 was changed to pay for only regular employees. They are not seasonal or temporary. The seasonal and temporary employees' wages are now in line 5112. Line 5325 repair and maintenance of the facilities increased to cover resurfacing the two tennis courts. It needed to be done 2-3 years ago. They are well used by the school and town. We will be adding some pickle ball lines as well. Brunswick and Auburn have leagues. They play from 9 AM to 11 AM during the week. Councilor Ward said if that can be done this year that would be great. Line 5365 went up to cover the power steering issues; vehicles are getting older. Line 5380 went up to cover the programs that have grown to cover the extra t-shirts. Councilor Ward pointed out that the revenue stream will offset that increase. Line 5672 doubled, but the winter festival is now in the budget. He said they brought in a little over \$4,000 and spent around \$3,800. That's a wash, which is the same thing with summer trips, senior meals, and co-ed softball.

Mrs. Barnes indicated they would be back to purchase the plow should there be money left over in the Parks and Recreation lines available, which might be at the final hour. There isn't much wiggle room other than the part-time wages.

Councilor Albert commended this department for including programs for the seniors. He said it's nice to see the senior trips and the senior meal program (breakfast one week and lunch the following week). Mr. Stevens said there is a group of 30 in Savannah Georgia right now; there is always something going on.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**(VOTE 2016-92b)** Councilor Metivier, seconded by Councilor Crafts moved to adjourn at 8:40 PM. **Order passed - Vote 7-0.**

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Twila D. Lycette, Council Secretary  
Town Clerk, Lifetime CCM/MMC  
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