

West Ossipee Fire Precinct Commissioners
November 15, 2008
Budget Workshop

Present: Joe Goss, Ted Call, Brad Eldridge, Chris Tozier

Due to a lack of quorum of commissioners, this was not an official meeting as posted but rather a workshop to discuss the proposed 2009 budget.

The proposed budget was discussed line by line and details of the discussion are listed below.

Executive:

- Supplies and cell phones will be changed to have separate lines in the budget
- A legal line will be added

Proposed 2009 Executive Budget:

\$4,000 cell phones
\$2,000 Supplies
\$400 Bank Charges
\$500 Executive-Other
<u>\$5,000 Legal</u>
\$11,900

General Government Buildings:

- New lightbulbs have been installed downstairs at Central Station with more energy efficient bulbs
- Other maintenance at Central Station needed includes installation of carpet in Chief's office, installation of door upstairs, new boiler, repair lock on front door. It was suggested that the old lock from Jewell Hill Station be put back on that station and the current keypad lock be moved to Central Station.
- Chief Eldridge said some cushion should be available in this line item in case well repairs are need
- Ted Call offered to call other rubbish removal companies to try to negotiate a better deal on the Jewell Hill dumpster.

Proposed 2009 General Government Buildings:

Heat-Central	\$3,500
Heat Jewell Hill	\$3,000
Electric-Central	\$2,000
Electric Jewell	\$2,400
Telephone	\$2,400
Rubbish Removal	\$1,600
Bldg Maint. Central	\$10,000 (includes boiler installation)
Bldg Maint. Jewell	\$400
Internet	\$500
<u>Govt Bldgs Other</u>	<u>\$5,000</u>
	\$30,400

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Proposed Insurance:

- Mellisa will be working to get long and short term disability insurance coverage for the firefighters.
- Mellisa will get quotes for the liability, worker's compensation from LGC

Worker's Compensation	\$5,200
Liability	\$8,000
Health Insurance	\$30,000 (\$20,160 family plan Chief, balance for firefighter disability)
<u>Provident</u>	<u>\$5,500</u>
	\$48,700

Proposed Fire Department Budget:

- In 2009, to be in compliance with state law, the firefighters will have to be paid an hourly rate with a two hour minimum for calls, trainings and meetings.
- As for training, Chief Eldridge said the Level I class is free if the mutual aid will host it. LGC has good, free programs
- Plan to replace two lights on the rescue in 2009 LED lights
- The tower will need to be tested in 2009 and needs paint repair on the cab
- The cost to replace pump in Engine 3 would be about \$30,000. The body is rusting, pump enclosure has hole in it, Engine and transmission are fine. Chief Eldridge said he would like to buy a good used piece of apparatus to use if this engine breaks down.
- The Boat needs a good service. Goss suggested an aircraft pilot would be one to call for this specialty work. Call said the trailer needs to be stripped and painted.
- The Tahoe needs tires and appears to have a problem with the ball joints
- Chief Eldridge ordered hydrant signs last year that need to be installed
- The gear maintenance line includes funding to have gear inspected.

Mutual Aid	\$4,500
Payroll	\$80,000 (firefighters)
Chief Salary	\$60,000 (salary only – retirement \$9200 included in payroll expense)
Secretary salary	\$16,000
Payroll Expense	\$40,000 (Social Security, Federal Tax, retirement)
Training/Seminars	\$3,000
Fuel	\$8,000
Maint-Rescue	\$1,000
Maint-Tower	\$2,600
Maint-E1	\$500
Maint-E3	\$1,500
Maint-Boat	\$800
Maint-Other	\$3000
Maint-Tahoe	\$1,500
Maint-Pickup	\$1,000
Uniforms	\$1,000
Gear Maint	\$1,000
EMS Supplies	\$1,000
Subscriptions	\$1,000
Fire Prevention	\$400

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Postage	\$200
Communications	\$1,000
<u>Hydrants</u>	<u>\$100</u>
	\$229,100
Street lighting	\$3200
Capital Outlay	\$20,000 (includes Chief computer, headset system for Engine I, new or replacement gear, radios, pagers, extractor for cleaning turnout gear, etc)
Debt Service	\$98,771 (includes Tahoe, Engine I, and first year's payment on new building)
TAN Interest	\$1,200

Following discussion about the operating budget, discussion took place about the status of and cost to finish Jewell Hill Station.

Money currently spent or committed to is as follows:

Building	\$179,900
Soil/Survey	\$16,100
Site Work	\$101,000
Electric	\$16,000
<u>Doors</u>	<u>\$18,000</u>
	\$331,000

Additional work discussed to complete the project:

Heat	\$28,000
Septic	\$2,000
Locks/alarm	\$10,000
Hose Tower	\$1,500
Kitchenette	\$3,000
Bathrooms	\$10,000
Well	\$1,500
Signs/Flagpole	\$1,500
Lockers	\$5,000
Exhaust System	\$50,000
<u>Generator</u>	<u>\$6,000</u>
Additional cost total	\$118,500

It was discussed that the generator and exhaust system might be obtained by grants thus reducing the total amount to be financed to be \$383,500

Meeting ended – 2:03pm