Milford Budget Advisory Committee Approved Minutes January 3, 2018

Present: Karen Mitchell, Wade Campbell, Peg Seward

Bob Courage, Matt Lydon, Paul Dargie, George

Skuse and Paul Bartolomucci

Absent: Chris Pank

Guests: Chris Labonte (School Budget Committee)

Business: Meeting called to order at 6:40 by Matt Lydon

Review of email response from Mark Bender. Of the sidewalks in Milford, 12.6 of them are plowed and 1.1 are not able to be plowed. These are on the streets Highland, Myrtle, Franklin and Summer due to being too narrow, stone walls and various other issues. Discussion around DPW still being responsible to have them cleared. Pumpkin Festival – Mark planning to meet with the Souhegan.

Pumpkin Festival – Mark planning to meet with the Souhegan Chamber of Commerce soon to make a decision regarding the finances of profit and payment for the festival.

Warrant for tax relief – The BOS has decided to support this warrant on new construction or improvements for industrial only. It will provide for a 50% tax exemption and will last the duration of ten years.

Sidewalk Plow – review of email from Rick Reindeau. The two plows being looked at are: a Holder 992 for \$171,900 and a Prinoth SW45 for \$133,700. The Prinoth has tracks and from feedback from Bob Courage and Chris Labonte seems to be the less desirable option. The Holder is more expensive, but seems like a better option for type and quality. The possibility of utilizing the attachments from the older (not in use) Holder plow was discussed as a way to save money and be more resourceful. According to Chris Labonte, these attachments, as long as in good condition, should be universal to use with any Holder plow.

Recreation is currently working on petition warrant articles for fireworks as well as the Keyes Park Expansion CR.

Water Department – added 52 water/sewer connections this past year. There was further discussion around the depreciation line

item from the Town budget. This is more of a placeholder for depreciation rather than a budget or appropriation request. The BAC is still waiting for further clarification from Jack Sheehy.

Budget & Bond Hearing will be Jan. 8, 6:30-8pm in the BOS Room. The next meeting will be Jan. 10 in the BOS meeting room. The meeting was adjourned at 8:35pm. Respectfully submitted by, Karen Mitchell, Secretary