Milford Budget Advisory Committee Approved Minutes January 23, 2019

Present: Karen Mitchell, Chris Pank, Bob Courage, Paul Bartolomucci, Wade Campbell, Chris Skinner, Chris Labonte and George Skuse

Absent: Peg Seward

Guests: Kevin Federico (Chairman of BOS), Ray Green (NH Fish & Game) and Dave Wheeler (Former member of Governor's Council)

Business: Meeting called to order at 6:34 by Chris Pank

Dave Wheeler - provided a handout regarding Osgood Pond. The original grant was for 150k with an additional 50k from NH Fish and Game and the Town of Milford paid 100k towards the Osgood Pond dredging project. <u>Phase I</u>

- All Town commitments have been kept in Phase I of project
- The Town actually completed Phase I, II and some of Phase III of the five phases
- Permitting is good until 2024, but after 2019 the grant will be gone.
- Soft matches of \$60/load of the material dredged are allowed in this federal program.

Ray Green

- The weeds around the pond were not removed due to their need by the banded sunfish
- The removal of silt from the bottom of the pond gets oxygen into the pond
- Fish & Game stocks above Osgood Pond as well as below the dam, but they did NOT stock the pond with trout. It was stocked with small mouth bass, pickerel and sunfish.
- When Fish & Game gives money to Towns/projects, they look for the project to be kid friendly.

There was general discussion around having the BOS move the Budget and Bond hearing to be earlier so that we can get our information earlier to make more informed votes before Deliberative Session. Dispatch Center

Kevin Federico stated that four companies were sent RFP's. Beltronics, 2way, Ossipee Radio and one other that he could not remember. He was asked about the map on the study done for MACC base showing

that there is currently 95% coverage. No answer given.

Kevin was asked why Milford did not agree to the proposed intermunicipal agreement (previous to the current agreement), while Wilton and Mont Vernon did agree to it. He stated that there were some things Milford agreed to and some things they did not and that the discussions just did not move forward. Kevin stated that, "Milford has to take care of Milford". Question was asked of how many portables would be needed to fulfill the needs of DPW, Water/Sewer and replacements of the other departments. He will get these numbers.

More answers from the latest 2-way meeting will be discussed with the BOS on Monday, January 28 and then with the BAC on the 30th. Motorola and 2-way will be at Deliberative as well.

Keyes Field update - The committee is currently looking at materials and contractors for a walking path.

The next meeting will be January 30, 2019 in the BOS room The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm. Respectfully submitted by, Karen Mitchell, Secretary