

SPECIAL MEETING – MANSFIELD TOWN COUNCIL

April 10, 2012

Mayor Elizabeth Paterson called the special meeting of the Mansfield Town Council to order at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chamber of the Audrey P. Beck Building.

I. ROLL CALL

Present: Keane, Kochenburger, Lindsey, Moran, Paterson, Paulhus, Ryan, Schaefer, Shapiro

II. QUESTION & ANSWER SESSION

Director of Finance Cherie Trahan and Town Manager Matt Hart presented an overview of the distributed handouts including an accounting of all proposed personnel changes which total 5.88 FTE using various funding sources and a list of ideas which might bring the budget to a zero mill increase. The latter is not being recommended by management.

III. CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Ms. Trahan explained the proposed Capital Improvement Program is structured to allow those listed items to be purchased without issuing additional debt. A five year catch up period is factored into the plan.

FLAG – Add the school budget project to the list of Potential Future Initiatives within the Ten Year Capital Improvement Program

Fire Chief Dave Dagon, Director of Public Works Lon Hultgren, Director of Parks and Recreation Curt Vincente, Director of Facilities William Hammon and Director of Information Technology Jaime Russell reviewed their capital improvement programs.

FLAG – Provide replacement cycle schedule for fleet inventory.

FLAG - Provide the most recent cost/benefit comparison for providing cars/mileage.

IV. CAPTIAL NONRECURRING FUND

Ms. Trahan identified the revenues and uses for this fund.

V. SOLID WASTE FUND AND TOWN AID ROAD FUND

Mr. Hultgren reported the Solid Waste Advisory Committee is currently reviewing the option of changing to an automated collection system.

FLAG – Provide information on the recycling levels of Mansfield compared to other towns.

FLAG – Change the heading from 'Equipment Rental' to 'Contracted Road Striping' (Pg. 209)

VI. SEWER FUND

Ms. Trahan explained how enterprise funds work and noted the Sewer Fund does include money for the sewer upgrade. A new budget for this fund was recently approved.

VII. DISCUSSION OF PROPOSED BUDGET/COUNCIL QUESTIONS

No questions were asked.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

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Mr. Paulhus moved and Mr. Ryan seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 p.m.
p.m.

Elizabeth Paterson, Mayor

Mary Stanton, Town Clerk

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