

**TOWN OF
TEMPLE, NEW HAMPSHIRE
MINUTES OF PUBLIC HEARING**

Board of Selectmen

Budget Hearing held on the 8th day of February 2018

Board members present: G. Cromwell, B. Ezell, and K. Caisse

Call to Order by: Ezell at 6:30pm

Hearing for Police Budget

- Presentation by Chief of Police, Jim McTague
Expended 2017: \$609,336.19 with 39% Temple: \$237,641.11
Projected 2018: \$620,651.00 with 39% Temple: \$242,053.89 – temple portion surplus:
\$237,988.99 representing a flat budget.
No wage increases this year.

Hearing for Town Operating Budget

- Presentation by BAC, Gary Scholl, full PowerPoint presentation, copies on www.templenh.org
- 2017 was a good year for Temple. Budget stable with surplus amounts
- Fluctuations by School and County tax rates but the Town is staying quite stable
- BAC worked hard to consolidate many line items in the proposed budget before being passed onto the Select Board for final review.

Motion made by Caisse to add \$2,500 to the training line of the Fire Department Budget, seconded by Cromwell, vote all in favor.

Motion made by Cromwell to accept this 2018 Temple Town Operational Budget and present it at Town Meeting March 17th, 2018, seconded by Caisse, all in favor.

Hearing for Town Warrant Articles

You are further notified to meet at the Temple Elementary School in said Temple, on Saturday, the **Seventeenth Day of March 2018** next, at ten o'clock in the morning, to act on the following:

Article 4: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,315,165 for town charges as the operating budget and other necessary maintenance and operating expenditures. (*Select Board Recommend*)

Article 5: To see if the town will vote to make the office of the highway agent an appointed one and, further, to authorize the select board to appoint a highway agent who, under the direction of the select board, shall have the duties specified in RSA 231:62, beginning with the expiration of the term of office of the current Road Agent in 2019. This vote shall continue in effect until changed by major vote at an annual or special meeting. (*Select Board Recommend*)

Article 6: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000.00) to be placed in the Highway Vehicle & Equipment Capital Reserve Fund previously established by Article #8 at the March 12, 2011 Town Meeting and amended by Article #11 at the March 16, 2013 Town Meeting under the provisions of RSA 35:1 (*Select Board Recommend*)

Article 7: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board to enter into a 3 year inter-municipal agreement for provision of police services pursuant to RSA 53-A with the Town of Greenville on such terms and conditions as determined by the Select Board and approved by the Attorney General's Office. This article is contingent upon passage of a similar warrant article by the Town of Greenville. (Majority Ballot vote required) (*Select Board Recommend*)

Article 8: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fifteen thousand six hundred dollars (\$15,600.00), which is 39% of the total cost, for the purpose of purchasing a new cruiser for the Temple/Greenville Police Department and registered in the name of the Town of Greenville. This article is contingent upon passage of a similar warrant article by the Town of Greenville for the remaining cost of the cruiser. (*Select Board Recommend*)

Article 9: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of two hundred fifty seven dollars (\$257.00 for The Monadnock Crisis & Prevention Center. (*This expenditure would become part of the budget in subsequent years if passed*).

Article 10: To see if the town will vote to establish a committee to study holiday lighting for the town center and report their findings to the town. This will be an unpaid volunteer committee. (*Select Board Recommend*)

Article 11: To see if the Town of Temple will commit to 100% Renewable Energy no later than 2030. Temple set a great example during our fight against Kinder Morgan and we feel that we can lead the way again to move forward to a clean and renewable energy future for our children and grandchildren. (By petition)

Hearing for ConVal School Operating Budget

- Presentation by ConVal Superintendent, Kimberly Rizzo Saunders:
<http://convalsd.net/schoolboard-update-january-2018/>
- Explanation of the vision for the district and it's clear direction:
<http://schoolboard.convalsd.net/committees/strategic-plan/>

Hearing for Conval School Warrant Articles

- Presentation by ConVal Superintendent, Kimberly Rizzo Saunders:
<http://schoolboard.convalsd.net/wp-content/uploads/sites/3/2018/01/2018-warrant-website.pdf>
- Handout and drawing of room reconfigurations proposed

1:1 Chromebooks And Blended Learning At ConVal

In an effort to further enhance academic programs currently offered in the ConVal School District, the School Board approved, in February of 2016, the purchase of Chromebook laptop computers for the middle and high schools. The first phase of establishing 1:1 (1 laptop computer for every 1 student) learning environments will be introduced this fall. Starting in October 2017, 7th and 8th grade students will be issued an HP G5 11 Education Edition Chromebook, freshman and sophomore students an HP Chromebook x360 Education Edition. Detailed information about the program will be made available during parent and student orientations.

Chromebook Fee: Parents/Guardians have the option of paying an annual \$25 Chromebook fee. If parents/guardians choose to pay this fee for the 2017-2018 school year, repairable damage to the Chromebook will be 100% covered. Additionally, if the Chromebook needs to be replaced due to damage or loss, parents/guardians of high school students will be charged only \$100 for replacement and parents/guardians of middle school students will be charged only \$75 for replacement. Parents interested in paying the optional Chromebook fee of \$25 need to do so **prior to October 16th**. Payments should be made electronically at [K12PaymentCenter](#). If unable to make an electronic payment and need to make a payment using an alternate method, please contact Mindy Ryan, ConVal School District's Business Administrator, by phone 603-924-3336 ext. 2029 or by email mrryan@conval.edu.

Meeting Adjourned: 8:45pm

Meeting minutes respectfully submitted by Gretchen Rae, Assistant to the Select Board.