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Hanover Finance Committee

March 9, 2015

Black Community Center – Room 215

Hanover, NH

Members present: H. Postupack (Chair), K. Fenner, D. Press, L. Wheelan (school board representative) J. Buckey (Select Board representative)

Members absent: M. Gerling, J. Ruth

The meeting was called to order at 5:01pm by the chair, H. Postupack

Agenda Items Discussed

1. Review/amendment of agenda

The Chair asked for comments on the agenda, there were none.

2. Public comments on items not on the agenda

There was no public in attendance or comments regarding the agenda.

3. Review minutes of HFC meeting on January 26, 2015

4. Update and discussion on proposed 2015-16 Hanover Town Budget

Jay Buckey reviewed the main drivers of the costs for the upcoming year. One main cost for the upcoming year is the implementation of the Condrey class and compensation study.

Daryl Press expressed concern that Town spending grew at a faster rate than the CPI.

Committee members developed a list of questions for Town Administrators and the Selectboard. Heidi will forward to Betsy McLain and share answers with HFC.

1) What is the rationale for the Towns selected that were selected as our peers for the Condrey study? Were these towns similar in population, geographic size, infrastructure, etc, etc?

2) Can the results of the Condrey study be put in place over 2 years, rather than all in fiscal year 2016?

3) What would be the effect on the budget if the Condrey were implemented over 2 years rather than 1?

4) What is the cost breakdown between the union and non-union employees?

5) Is the Town of Hanover building the increases from the Condrey study into the budget for union employees even though the parties are still in the middle of contract negotiations?

6) Are there stipulations in the existing union contracts that require the town to share these kinds of increases with union employees all in one year?

5. Develop HFC position statement on the Hanover Town Budget

This agenda item was tabled until the next HFC meeting

6. Set agenda items and date of next HFC meeting

Next HFC meeting is set for March 27th 2015, at 4:30 pm. Agenda will include development of the HFC position statement on the Town of Hanover FY16 proposed budget.

7. Adjournment

Kristi Fenner motioned to adjourn, Daryl Press seconded. Meeting adjourned at 6:30pm

Recorded by:

Jay Buckey
Heidi Postupack