

Advisory Budget Committee Meeting Minutes to Review Planning and Building Budgets  
Tuesday October 29, 2019

In Attendance

Peter Royce

George Bailey

Steve Saunders

Also attending and participating: Conner MacIver

Dan Mannschreck joined by phone at 4:52 not attending: John Morris

Meeting called to order at 4:34 PM. The minutes from October 22 were not part of the meeting.

Discussion started related to last night's presentation by the library. While it ultimately be up to the Board to decide if the warrant article is supported, members of the ABC await more detail on project and its projected operating expenses. We will prepare a list of concerns.

It was agreed that questions posed to the Recreation Budget remain unanswered.

In the Planning budget, it appears lines 4540, 4560, 4571, 4611, and 4754 are historically underspent. It was agreed that line 4560 should be reduced to \$1800 and line 4571 be reduced to \$800.

Discussion turned to the new Town Hall. Conner explained the moving expenses were spread out throughout the 2020 budget. He cautioned us there may be some unexpected expenses (including 4 furnaces, paving, and more).

In the Building Department, a question arose on line 4611. Discussion ranged from a revolving fund to simply varying the request each year depending on what supplies are needed.

Lastly, it is suggested the fees be reexamined at the earliest possible time because of the reported gaps between expenses and revenues.

Meeting adjourned at 5:11 PM

Respectfully submitted,  
Peter Royce