



1. Call to order - 5:07 pm. Adjourned at 6:58 pm (in time for Wescustogo D&B Forum)
2. Introductions - Welcome, Bill Whitten, our newest member
3. Section Review
  - a. Capital Reserves – Section 10 (see Notes below)
  - b. Fixed Expenses – Section 9 (we never got to this item)
  - c. Fire Rescue Department – Section 6 (we never got to this item)
4. Upcoming Meetings
  - a. Budget Committee Field Trip – Public Works, Feb. 17, 9-11 am
  - b. Additional meeting dates - February 21, 5:30-7 pm

**February 21 – 5-7pm – call Rosemary - Done 20170217**

**Notes:** Capital Reserves – Section 10

1. Ask Rosemary to put all items on expanded CIP spreadsheet, i.e. 100-22 through 100-30.
2. What's the definition of a capital item and when should it appear on the CIP sheet – e.g. minimum of \$5,000 and life expectancy of ??



3. Why is Senior Tax Break Program in CIP (100-34)? It's not a capital purchase. Should it be in Community Services, perhaps General Assistance (120-04)?
4. What are the mechanics for obtaining the Senior Tax Break? If it becomes an Exemption (like Homestead or Veterans), should it appear as a 'Revenue' account?
5. Andy recommends increasing the annual CIP appropriation for 100-21 PWD/FRD by \$63k for a total of \$193k (100-21). Per Andy, we're not putting away enough money if you look at the long range picture.
6. Differences between CIP sheet one and the expanded sheet: Why are the starting and ending balances for PWD/FRD different between the two sheets?
7. BC agrees with adding \$10k to Future Land Fund (100-23)
8. Municipal Facilities (100-25) Why do we need 2 heat pumps at PWD's 'new' building?
9. Did we get 3 competitive bids for CIP items, e.g. insulation, heat pumps, etc.? Specifically, insulation quote is very high. We noticed Ryan Keith's name on the N/E Home Inspection quote (tab 4). Any conflict here?
10. PWD new building seems like "nickel & dime" approach (going above budget)
11. Get Sand & Salt Shed update from Clark. (timeline)
12. No costs included for moving generator and connecting it at Town Office
13. Is there a generator currently at the town office? (site work?) (transfer switch?)
14. What currently exists for alarm systems at our municipal buildings?
15. Access to public records (100-36)? How/where?

**Andy's list of questions** – dispatch services, custodial services (27k)

-Public works – 'other' wages

-Prince Memorial Library went up \$10k – why? See Tab 9/Education for PML Budget detail. \$11k increase in Health Insurance.

-Guardrails on Haskell Rd – why? Typo, per Clark, it should be Royal Road, near Rt 9 end.

**Sandy** – lawsuit with former member of NYFR – what was the cost to settle + fees.

**Bill** – bringing Wi-Fi to rural Maine – what is the position of the town? Are we pursuing Fairpoint? Per Pam, Alex is championing the town's effort.



*Town of*  
**North Yarmouth**  
**M A I N E**

## Budget Committee February 16, 2017 Agenda & Minutes

-Consolidating fire stations with neighboring towns? Can efficiencies be found between towns, e.g. PWD's?