

Town of Fairfield Select Board

Minutes

January 30, 2009

Present for Quorum: Tom Howrigan, Gavin Ryan, Gene Archambault and Norman Menard

Town Administrator: Amanda Forbes

Tom Howrigan called the meeting to order at 1:10 p.m.

The Board requested that there be an article added after the organization of the school meeting to elect a moderator.

Motion made by Gene Archambault and seconded by Gavin Ryan to accept the Warning with the noted changes. Motion passed 4-0.

The Board discussed the proposed budget for 2009. Amanda reported that the taxes to be raised would total \$731,793 with the current budget. However, after reviewing the previous 2008 budget with the auditors and NEMRC it was realized that when setting the 2008 tax rate the appropriation for the fire station was omitted. This amount was supposed to increase the taxes raised by \$88,426, which it did not. This caused an ending deficit in 2009 of -27,079.16. The Board agreed to increase the budget to last year's tax amount (\$748,270) to offset this deficit by \$16,476.94. This means that 2009 will begin with a starting operating deficit of -10,602.22.

Motion made by Tom Howrigan and seconded by Gavin Ryan to accept the proposed 2009 budget with the discussed changes. Motion passed 4-0.

Motion to adjourn made by Gene Archambault and seconded by Norm Menard at 2:15 p.m.