

Minutes
Winthrop Town Council
Special Meeting

Monday, May 12, 2008 at 6:30 pm

Town Office

Attendance: Councilors William MacDonald, Kevin Cookson, Ken Buck, Patricia Engdahl, James Norris, Linda Caprara, Priscilla Jenkins. Town Manager – Cornell Knight, Lisa Gilliam, Jan Tewksbury, Maura Smith, Beth Young, Ryan Frost, Joe Young Matt Burnham, Colleen Crowley, Jim Connors, Steve Curtis, Supt of School's Mark LaRoach, John Mitchell, Ike Dyer, Dwight Doughty, Cathy Eldridge, Dan Brooks.

Meeting is called to order at 6:30 pm.

School Budget review and discussion on summer teacher wage. Councilor Cookson said there is money set aside in the salary lines for the summer teacher wage liability

Review of the municipal budget.

Motion by Cookson seconded by Buck to not increase the contributions budget by 3%.
Vote 2-4 Yea Buck, Cookson, Nay: Jenkins, Engdahl, MacDonald, Norris.

The Town Manager was asked to prepare a letter to the Dept of Transportation for the Council's signature requesting repair of Main Street.

Motion by Cookson Seconded by Caprara to discuss the cedar planks at the Mt Pisgah trail. Vote 6-1. Norris opposed.

Motion by Jenkins Seconded by Engdahl to include \$4,500 for cedar planking on the Mt Pisgah trail. Vote 4-3. Yea: Norris, Engdahl, MacDonald, Jenkins. Nay: Caprara, Buck, Cookson.

The Fire Chief and manager were asked to explore the cost of installation of a trussed roof on the fire station instead of repairing the flat roof.

Motion by Engdahl Seconded by Jenkins to include \$3000 for the courtesy boat inspection program.

Motion by Cookson Seconded by Jenkins to increase the Performing Arts Budget by \$4,305. Vote 7-0.

Motion by Norris Seconded by Cookson to lease purchase the Police voice recorder for \$5,000 per year instead of a purchase of \$20,000. Vote 7-0.

Motion by Jenkins Seconded by Engdahl to increase website maintenance by \$2,400.
Vote 5-2. Yea: Norris, Engdahl, MacDonald, Buck, Jenkins. Nay: Cookson, Caprara.

Motion by Cookson Seconded by Jenkins to increase Computer Services by \$2,000 to keep the Virtual Clerk program. Vote 7-0.

Motion by Jenkins Seconded by Engdahl to be flexible in the amount to use from the debt service reserve line to keep the tax rate at \$12.50 Vote 7-0.

Motion by Buck Seconded by Cookson to adjourn at 9:47 pm . Vote 7-0.