

**Winthrop Town Council Meeting Minutes**  
**Special Meeting**  
**Monday, April 11, 2005**  
**Winthrop Town Office**

- **The meeting was called to order at 6:00PM by Chairman Kevin Cookson.**

- **Roll Call**

Council Members Present: Kevin Cookson, Patrice Putman, David Rheame, Jayne Despres, Bill MacDonald, Linda Caprara, Ken Buck

Others present: Cornell Knight (Town Manager), Lonney Steeves (YMCA director), David Smith (Director of Public Works), Police Chief Joe Young, Lisa Gilliam (Town Clerk), Donna Staples (GA Administrator) Beth Young (Code Enforcement Officer) Wendy Miller (Librarian), Jan Healey (Assessor), Maura Smith (Asst Assessor), Jan Tewksbury (Finance Director), Liz Sienko, and several residents.

**Ordered that the Winthrop Town Council meet to consider the following items:**

- **Item #51 Review the municipal budget for 2005-06 fiscal year.**

The proposed budget represents a 4.82% increase in spending.

The council reviewed the Recreation budget with Lonney Steeves.

Motion by Rheame Seconded by MacDonald to approve salary lines 1500-1811 and 1821 of the recreation budget so staff can be hired for the summer program. Vote 7-0.

The council reviewed the Clerk, Elections, Assessing, Accounts & Control, Codes, Planning Board, Board of Appeals and General Assistance.

There was discussion over the need of repair of the Library steps that were rebuilt in 2001. The contractor will be inspecting them soon.

The use of salt and salted sand on winter road was discussed during the public works budget review. Several residents of the Stanley Road were present to complain of the road condition, the gravel and rocks on the road put down during the winter, and the amount of truck traffic. Mr. Knight will talk with DOT about the gravel clean up and any work to be done. Chief Young will talk with the State Police about the weight limit enforcement. He will also do specific patrolling in the area.

The Solid Waste budget was reviewed and discussion on the cost of clean wood to Livermore Falls. Mr. Knight will check out the prices.

\$600 in the electricity line of the Norcross Point budget was accidentally omitted.

The Cemetery, Insurance, Central Services, Computer Services, Streetlights, Hydrant Rental, Executive Administration, Benefits budget were reviewed.

A pavement analysis proposal from URS Inc. was reviewed.

Motion by Rheame Seconded by Putman to approve the pavement management study proposal from URS Inc at a cost of \$16,000. Vote 7-0.

After the report is issued the council will consider a bond issue to fund the road improvements.

The council reviewed the Town Council and Debt Service budgets.

Questions were asked about the fire ladder truck problems. Mr. Knight will look into them and report back.

**Item #52 Consider the Kennebec County Hazard Mitigation Plan.**

Motion by MacDonald Seconded by Despres to approve the Kennebec County Hazard Mitigation Plan. Vote 7-0.

- **Adjourn**

*MOTION by Linda Caprara, seconded by David Rheame, to adjourn at 8:50PM. Discussion: None. VOTE: 7-0 .*