



**MOTION:** To approve \$162 as the 2018 Budget Committee budget.

**VOTE:** (7-0-0) The motion carried.

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**Cable - \$131,392 proposed.**

**MOTION:** To approve \$131,392 as the 2018 Cable budget

**VOTE:** (7-0-0) The motion carried.

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**Cemetery - \$145,196 proposed.**

**MOTION:** To approve \$145,196 as the 2018 Cemetery budget.

**VOTE:** (7-0-0) The motion carried.

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**Conservation Commission - \$3,947 proposed.**

**MOTION:** To approve \$3,947 as the 2018 Conservation Commission budget.

**VOTE:** (7-0-0) The motion carried.

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**Debt Service Interest - \$118,780 proposed.**

**MOTION:** To approve \$118,780 as the 2018 Debt Service Interest budget.

**VOTE:** (7-0-0) The motion carried.

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**Debt Service Principal - \$648,815 proposed.**

**MOTION:** To approve \$648,815 as the 2018 Debt Service Principal budget.

**VOTE:** (7-0-0) The motion carried.

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**Elections – \$19,631 proposed.**

**MOTION:** To approve \$19,631 as the 2018 Elections budget.

**VOTE:** (7-0-0) The motion carried.

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**Emergency Management – \$8,548 proposed.**

**MOTION:** To approve \$8,548 as the 2018 Emergency Management budget.

**VOTE:** (7-0-0) The motion carried.

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**Fire Department – \$2,178,295 proposed.**

**MOTION:** To approve \$2,178,295 as the 2018 Fire Department budget.

**VOTE:** (7-0-0) The motion carried.

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**Health Officer - \$45,766 proposed.**

**MOTION:** To approve \$45,766 as the 2018 Health Officer budget.

**VOTE:** (7-0-0) The motion carried.

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**Health Services - \$73,500 proposed.**

**MOTION:** To approve \$73,500 as the 2018 Health Services budget.

**VOTE:** (7-0-0) The motion carried.

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**Highway - \$1,514,510 proposed.**

**MOTION:** To approve \$1,514,510 as the 2018 Highway budget.

**VOTE:** (7-0-0) The motion carried.

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**Human Services - \$88,040 proposed.**

Mr. Cate explained that Mr. Cronin submitted a proposal to add \$5,000 to the expenses line (625) for general assistance, as was discussed a previous meeting based on the economy.

**MOTION:** (Bailey/Hillsgrove) To increase the expense line \$5,000.

**VOTE:** (7-0-0) The motion carried.

**MOTION:** To approve \$93,040 as the 2018 Human Services budget.

**VOTE:** (7-0-0) The motion carried.

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**Insurance - \$2,426,881 proposed.**

**MOTION:** To approve \$2,426,881 as the 2018 Insurance budget.

**VOTE:** (7-0-0) The motion carried.

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**Legal - \$87,500 proposed.**

**MOTION:** To approve \$87,500 as the 2018 Legal budget.

**VOTE:** (7-0-0) The motion carried.

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**Library - \$422,391 proposed.**

Ms. Hillsgrove made a motion to reduce the salary line by \$1,989 to remove the part-time custodian/maintenance person. Mr. Bailey seconded. Mr. Carton understood maintenance funds were running short in the current year and was concerned about the Library's needs. Mr. McCarthy replied he had spoken to the Parks & Recreation Director, which has offered to have his maintenance worker assist the Library.

**MOTION:** (Hillsgrove/Bailey) To decrease the salary line by \$1,989.

**VOTE:** (7-0-0) The motion carried.

Ms. Hillsgrove made a motion to reduce \$2,100 from the equipment repairs line (390) for grandfather clock maintenance. She said during a previous meeting there was significant discussion about the clock not keeping time and the Board spoke to the Library regarding the potential reduction. Mr. Bailey seconded. Mr. Cate noted they had spoken about potential fund raising for the expense. Mr. Carton inquired about the value of the clock. Lori Adams, Library Trustee (seated in the audience) stated it was insured for \$20,000. Mr. Carton was concerned if the clock wasn't maintained it wouldn't be worth the current value. Mr. Bailey understood the clock would still be cleaned, they just wouldn't be replacing the internal pins. Mr. Viger noted at the previous meeting there was indication of a private donor that was potentially interested in replacing the pins. The plan was to still maintain the clock, but not using the Library's budget to do so. If the funds don't come through privately, the Board could discuss the subject at reconsideration.

**MOTION:** (Hillsgrove/Bailey) To decrease the equipment repairs line by \$2,100.

**VOTE:** (6-1-0) The motion carried. Ms. Larson voted in opposition.

**MOTION:** To approve \$418,302 as the 2018 Library budget.

**VOTE:** (7-0-0) The motion carried.

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**Parks & Recreation - \$233,615 proposed.**

**MOTION:** To approve \$233,615 as the 2018 Parks & Recreation budget.

**VOTE:** (7-0-0) The motion carried.

**Planning Department - \$392,994 proposed.**

Mr. Cate indicated that Mr. Cronin had originally proposed an adjustment for the percentage increase for the inspector salaries, but has now rescinded that proposal.

Ms. Hillsgrove made a motion to reduce the Special Projects line (690.01) \$3,840. Mr. Bailey seconded. Ms. Hillsgrove explained that the hourly rate for interns would be reduced from \$25/hr down to \$21/hr. based on the average salary college interns were currently receiving.

**MOTION:** (Hillsgrove/Bailey) To decrease the special projects line by \$3,840.

**VOTE:** (7-0-0) The motion carried.

Mr. Cate noted there had been a clerical error under the office supplies line (225), in which \$1,133 was inadvertently eliminated. He believed that figure needed to be added back into the budget.

**MOTION:** (Bailey/Viger) To increase the office supplies line \$1,133.

**VOTE:** (7-0-0) The motion carried.

**MOTION:** To approve \$390,287 as the 2018 Planning Department budget.

**VOTE:** (7-0-0) The motion carried.

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**Police - \$2,755,256 proposed.**

**MOTION:** To approve \$2,755,256 as the 2018 Police budget.

**VOTE:** (7-0-0) The motion carried.

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**Retirement - \$1,674,851 proposed.**

**MOTION:** To approve \$1,674,851 as the 2018 Retirement budget.

**VOTE:** (7-0-0) The motion carried.

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**Selectmen - \$477,526 proposed.**

**MOTION:** To approve \$477,526 as the 2018 Selectmen budget.

**VOTE:** (7-0-0) The motion carried.

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**Senior Center - \$122,872 proposed.**

**MOTION:** To approve \$122,872 as the 2018 Senior Center budget.

**VOTE:** (7-0-0) The motion carried.

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**Town Buildings - \$823,326 proposed.**

**MOTION:** To approve \$823,326 as the 2018 Town Buildings budget.

**VOTE:** (7-0-0) The motion carried.

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**Town Celebrations - \$9,260 proposed.**

**MOTION:** To approve \$9,260 as the 2018 Town Celebrations budget.

**VOTE:** (7-0-0) The motion carried.

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**Town Clerk / Tax Collector - \$233,902 proposed.**

**MOTION:** To approve \$233,902 as the 2018 Town Clerk / Tax Collector budget.

**VOTE:** (7-0-0) The motion carried.

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**Transfer Station - \$731,123 proposed.**

**MOTION:** To approve \$731,122 as the 2018 Transfer Station budget.

**VOTE:** (7-0-0) The motion carried.

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**Treasurer - \$15,176 proposed.**

**MOTION:** To approve \$15,176 as the 2018 Treasurer budget.

**VOTE:** (7-0-0) The motion carried.

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**Trust Funds - \$70 proposed.**

**MOTION:** To approve \$70 as the 2018 Trust Funds budget.

**VOTE:** (7-0-0) The motion carried.

The Board then voted on the new 2018 Town Budget figure.

**MOTION:** To approve \$15,566,329 as the 2018 Town Budget.

**VOTE:** (7-0-0) The motion carried.

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189 **GENERAL DISCUSSION / CLOSING COMMENTS**

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191 Mr. Cate noted that the School Budget binders would be available October 20, 2017. The next  
192 Budget Committee meeting will be Monday, October 23, 2017 beginning at 7:30pm.

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194 **ADJOURNMENT**

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**MOTION:** (Viger/Hillsgrove) To adjourn the meeting.

**VOTE:** (7-0-0) The motion carried.

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197 The meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:02pm.

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Respectfully submitted,  
Charity A. Landry  
Recording Secretary