

Templeton Advisory Board Meeting  
December 18, 2013

Meeting called to order at 6:30 PM

Present: Gordon Moore, Mike Greene, Wil Spring, Mark Barrieau

Pledge of Allegiance

Minutes of Dec. 4 meeting were reviewed. Two typos will be corrected. Also, remove the words "The fund presently consists of about \$27,000".

Motion made/seconded to accept minutes. Accepted 4-0.

A brief discussion of Population Projections took place. The data was gleaned from PEP Donahue website. It shows Templeton growing from a population of 8000 in 2010 to nearly 10,000 by 2030. The school age population is projected to decrease by 137 over this same time frame.

The board discussed the draft letter to department heads. After discussion, the consensus was to remove bullets 1 & 3, replacing them with a statement that the overall budget should be reduced by 2% minimum from FY 2014.

Data regarding the organization and salaries for area towns Collector and Treasurer and combined Collector/Treasurer positions was reviewed. A motion was made and seconded to send a letter to the Selectmen, including the data provided by Chairman Spring. The letter should point out that some towns choose to organize these offices as a Treasurer/Collector with one or two assistants. This makes possible a higher salary, possibly attracting people capable of managing both functions without overload. The scribe was directed to compose the letter, and to provide it to the Chairman for approval and editing as soon as possible. The motion was passed 4-0.

A board held a discussion of the budget mistake that put the town budget out of balance by \$500k+. Chairman Spring advised that the CPA and the auditor are looking at the expenditure ledger to fully understand the mistake.

The budget process is understandably in a state of flux due to this mistake. Chairman Spring proposed the board set meeting dates for reviewing budgets as follows:

January 8, 15, 29	February 5, 12, 19	March 5, 12, 19	April 2, 9, 16
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Selectman Robinson was recognized. He stated that he wanted to get to the bottom of the budget mistake, but that information was not forthcoming beyond the fact that a mistake was made.

No further business being brought forward, a motion was made and seconded to adjourn. Motion carried unanimous. Meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM.