

EHHD Finance Committee
Special Meeting
Minutes
December 7, 2016
Audrey P Beck Municipal Building
Conference Room C

Call to Order 3:00PM

Present; E Paterson, J Elsesser, J Stille, R Field, P Schur, R Miller, A Meriwether

P Schur MOVED, J Stille seconded to approve the 11/18/16 meeting minutes as presented. Motion PASSED unanimously.

R Miller presented budget Scenario I and budget Scenario II. R Miller informed members that new information obtained after the last committee meeting significantly impacted the budget scenarios presented. (1) a senior sanitarian announced her retirement effective the current fiscal year, and (2) Mansfield Finance department is estimating 6% reduction in insurance premium rates for FY17/18.

By consensus, members support a budget that provides funding to fill the sanitarian II vacancy with a sanitarian II.

After extensive discussion, by consensus, members instructed the director to make the following modifications to budget scenario I:

- Hold appropriation of fund balance flat
- Use appropriation of fund balance to reduce town contribution rate increase to below 2%.
- With the goal of reducing the total spending increase to near 0.5% take the following actions (1) increase employee health insurance premium cost share by 0.5% to 15.5%, and (2) evaluate possible reductions in salary/benefit accounts

By consensus, the next meeting is scheduled for 12/15/16 just prior to the regular meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 3:32PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Robert Miller

Secretary
