

**Town of Chester
Budget Committee
Approved Minutes
April 3, 2017**

I. Meeting to Order

Chair Michael Weider called the meeting to order at 7:09 PM on Monday, April 3, 2017.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

Chair Weider led the meeting in the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. Attendance

Brian Shankey
Chuck Heuer
Becky Owens
Stephen D'Angelo
Selectman Richard Trask

Absent:

Vice Chair Rhonda Lamphere
Mike Romick, Vice Chair Chester School Board

IV. Announcements by the Chair – Welcome

V. Public Comment –

There were no comments from the public.

VI. BOS Update – Selectman Richard Trask

Selectman Trask had no updates to provide.

VII. School Board Update –

A representative was not present.

VIII. Other Committee Updates –

None

IX. Minutes -

X. Old Business

Budget

Mr. D'Angelo – there's been a change to the circumstance for DPW.

The BOS joined the meeting at 7:20pm. They explained their reasoning for their proposed increases.

There will no longer be a DPW warrant article put forward, the Class A plow truck with sander will no longer be purchased new for \$110,000 but instead a used vehicle will be purchased for \$40,000.

The BC had considered a 4.5% budget increase, and the BOS is offering a budget increase of 5.38% to \$4,323,942.

Chair Weider moves to vote on the proposed BOS budget. Mr. Heuer seconds the motion.

After some further discussion, all voted in favor, to move forward with the BOS budget increase of 5.38%.

Warrant Article Approvals:

Article #Q – the BOS will discuss and vote on this at their meeting on Thursday April 6, 2017

Article #A – Selectman Trask moved to approve the warrant article as written. Mr. Heuer seconded the motion. All in favor, so moved.

Article #C- Selectman Trask moved to approve the warrant article as written. Mr. D'Angelo seconded the motion. 5 in favor, 1 opposed, the motion carries.

Article #D - Selectman Trask moved to approve the warrant article including the amendment of decreasing the highway class A plow truck and sander to \$40,000 instead of \$110,000 bringing the CIP to \$768,473. Mr. Heuer seconded the motion. All in favor, so moved.

Article #E- Selectman Trask moved to approve the warrant article as written. Mr. Heuer seconded the motion. All in favor, so moved.

Article #E2 – Chair Weider moved to approve the warrant article as written. Selectman Trask seconded the motion. All in favor, so moved.

Article #G- Chair Weider moved to approve the warrant article as written.
Selectman Trask seconded the motion. All in favor, so moved.

Article #J- Selectman Trask moved to approve the warrant article as written. Mr.
D'Angelo seconded the motion. All in favor, so moved.

Article #M- Selectman Trask moved to approve the warrant article as written. Mr.
Heuer seconded the motion. 4 in favor, 2 opposed, the motion carries.

XI. New Business -

XII. Other Business-

XIII. Member Comments -

XIV. Public Comments – none.

XV. Next Meeting Date – Public Hearing April 10, 2017 @ 7:00 PM

XVI. Adjourn -

Mr. D'Angelo moves to adjourn. Mr. Heuer seconds the motion. All in favor, so moved.
The Budget Committee meeting of April 3, 2017 adjourned at 8:59pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sarah DeLisle, Recording Secretary