

## TOWN OF MENDON

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## **MEETING MINUTES**

**Meeting Date:** Wednesday, February 04, 2015 7:00 PM **Time Called to Order:** Time Adjourned: 9:30 PM Location: Town Hall - Main Meeting Room **Meeting Chair:** Chris Burke Recorder: Jeanne Davoren Present<sup>1</sup> Remote<sup>2</sup> Member: Member **Present** Remote Chris Burke  $\boxtimes$ Mike Ammendolia  $\boxtimes$ Brian Guzman Mike Merolli  $\boxtimes$ Willem Angenent Norm Round  $\boxtimes$ Jeanne Davoren П Heather Alcock  $\boxtimes$ Approval of Minutes **Topic Name:** Mike M moved, seconded by Mike A to approve minutes of January `4, 2015. **Summary:** VAU **Decisions Made:** Actions to be Taken: **Related Documents or Exhibits:** Highway Department Snow and Ice Account **Topic Name:** Highway Supt Alan Tetreault states there is no way he can predict what kind of extra money he will be forced to spend on snow and ice. The Board of **Summary:** Selectmen will be voting to approve a deficit amount of \$250,000 at tomorrow night's meeting. **Decisions Made:** None, this is merely FYI Actions to be Taken: **Related Documents or Exhibits:** 

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> If "Present" contains and "x" that person was physically present.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> If "Remote" contains an "x" that person participated remotely according to 940 CMR 29.10(5) a through e as approved by the Meeting Chair.

Topic Name:	Parks Department Budget
Summary:	Dan Byer  Dan explains this budget is level funded. He reviews the line items and made some adjustments to make it possible to stay level funded.  He states the revenue has improved since they started pairing up with Uxbridge as of last year for the summer swim program.  Dan also reviews possible increases in 2017-8.
Decisions Made:	
Actions to be Taken:	
Related Documents or Exhibits:	
Topic Name:	Town Clerk Budget Town Clerk Margaret Bonderenko reviews this Budget.
Summary:	Margaret explains the status of the town's voting machine and the hope of purchasing a new voting machine (approx. \$6500) as soon as possible in time to get familiar enough with it before the presidential election year. She also reviews her budget which is level funded.
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Topic Name:	Council on Aging Budget Amy Kent, Kevin Rudden
Summary:	Amy explains her role and the amount of hours she has continuously been at the Senior Center over and above the 35 she is paid every week getting the job done. She had approached the BOS last year and was told when the new Administrator came aboard the increase of 5 hours would be addressed. This still has not happened. Kevin explains that if they don't get some additional assistance down there they may have to turn people away. Chairman Chris explains our deficits and how difficult it will be to accommodate ANY of the requests above and beyond the level funded budgets.
<b>Decisions Made:</b>	
Actions to be Taken:	
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Topic Name:	Fin Com Reserve Transfer
Summary:	Robin Fletcher requests a transfer of \$500.00 for Aid to Veterans.
Decisions Made:	Mike M moves, seconded by Mike A to transfer \$500 from Fin Com Reserve to Veteran's Benefits, Aid to Veterans, line item 543C. VAU
Actions to be Taken:	Mike A requests we ask for a copy of the cherry sheet from the past year including a recap of the Veterans benefits. Kim will request.
Related Documents or Exhibits:	