

TOWN OF LA POINTE
SPECIAL TOWN BOARD MEETING

2012 BUDGET WORKSHOP

Thursday, October 13, 2011

At 5:00 PM At Town Hall

Present: Beth Fischlowitz, Jim Patterson, Greg Nelson, Ham Ross, Larry Whalen
Dept. Heads present: Ted Pallas, Jen Croonborg-Murphy
Public Present: Mike Starck

I. Call to Order at 5:04 PM

II. Budget Workshop with each of the following departments:

A. Materials Recovery Facility (MRF): Budget presented by MRF Supervisor Ted Pallas. The MRF budget request is down by about 1%. Supervisor Pallas reported that the MRF employees are seeking insurance coverage from another company other than the one used by the Town. He reported that his wage increases are based on a 3.8% cost of living increase as reported by the Department of Labor.

B. Town Plan Commission: budget presented by Zoning Administrator Jen Croonborg-Murphy. ZA Murphy reported that she has budgeted 30-hour weeks for herself as Zoning Administrator, which will take into account her remaining FMLA leave. She budgeted 800 hours for the Zoning Clerical Assistant. Her wages are based on a 3.8% cost of living adjustment. Discussion followed regarding the possible purchase of a replacement Town vehicle [used by Zoning, as well as other Town departments]. Several suggestions were made regarding how to purchase the vehicle, but no decision was made.

III. Consideration of request from MRF Supervisor to extend vacation time: discussion ensued regarding how much time can be taken and when. An employee may take up to 50% of his/her vacation time as pay. Supervisor Pallas will meet with Barb Nelson (Administrative Assistant) before the next meeting to figure out a plan.

IV. Adjournment: at 5:45 PM

Submitted by Patty Hobin, Town Clerk
Approved as submitted on 10/25/11
Patty Hobin, Clerk