



**LACONIA CITY COUNCIL
BUDGET WORK SESSION
JUNE 8, 2015
CITY HALL – CONFERENCE ROOM 200A
6:00 P.M.**

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Engler called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

RECORDING SECRETARY: City Clerk Mary Reynolds

ATTENDANCE: Councilor Ava Doyle, Councilor David Bownes, Councilor Henry Lipman, Councilor Brenda Baer, Councilor Robert Hamel, Councilor Armand Bolduc.

Mayor Engler noted that there are were six (6) Councilors in attendance and a quorum is established.

STAFF ATTENDANCE: City Manager Scott Myers, Finance Director Donna Woodaman

ASSESSING – ASSESSOR JON DUHAMEL

Assessor Duhamel reviewed the proposed budget and statistical data with the Council. Discussion followed regarding the Assessed Value relating to the budget process, the Department of Revenue Administration (DRA) approach to setting values, sales compared to the revaluation process, the Assessing Review done by the DRA during the revaluation process, the Coefficient of Dispersion, the Price Related Differential and an explanation by City Manager Myers for projecting the new construction values.

LIBRARY – CHAIRMAN ROBERT SELIG AND DIRECTOR RANDY BROUGH

Chairman Selig and Director Brough reviewed the proposed budget. Discussion followed regarding the taking down of the large tree on the front lawn, cost for investment in books, electronic resources, programs at the Library, foot traffic in the Library, teaching people how to code and create using computers, Wi-Fi access, and the exhibits being displayed by the Laconia Historical Society at the Library, as well as the relationship between the two groups.

Director Brough also advised the Council that there will be a show on June 18, 2015 beginning at 6:00 p.m. at the Library by performers Bow Junction.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Engler adjourned the budget hearing at 6:38 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Mary A. Reynolds
City Clerk