

**Special Meeting of the Barre City Council  
Held January 7, 2017**

The Special Meeting of the Barre City Council was called to order by Mayor Thomas Lauzon at 8:05 AM at the Barre City Council Chambers, Barre, Vermont. In attendance were: From Ward I, Councilor Jeffrey Tuper-Giles (arrived 8:10 AM); from Ward II, Councilor Michael Boutin; and from Ward III, Councilor Lucas Herring (arrived 8:14 AM). Also present were City Manager Steven Mackenzie and Clerk/Treasurer Carolyn Dawes.

**Absent:** From Ward I, vacant; from Ward II, Councilor Michael Smith; and from Ward III, Councilor Anita Chadderton.

Members of the Budget Committee present: Mary Ellen Boisvert, Linda Couture, Alex Pastor and Tess Taylor.

There was no quorum of the Council present at the start of the meeting. Upon Councilor Herring's arrival at 8:14 AM, a quorum was established.

Manager Mackenzie reviewed highlights of his budget draft #4.3. There was discussion on:

- Addition of Director of Finance position to the Finance Department
- Funding requests from social service agencies and non-profits
- Salt costs and consumption
- Comparative statistics: inflation and social security increases
- Effect of proposed local option taxes on street reconstruction and capital funds
- Adjustments associated with street-related bond debt
- Payoff dates for debt service items

Mayor Lauzon asked the Budget Committee to look at immediate capital needs and capital funds in the spring.

Meeting adjourned at 9:30 AM on motion of Councilor Boutin, seconded by Councilor Herring. **Motion carried.**

There is no audio recording of this meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Carolyn S. Dawes, City Clerk