

Athens Budget Committee Meeting 9/14/21-- Minutes

By video conference

Attending: Janet, Amber, Hannah, Mike, Wichie

Agenda:

1. Amendments to the agenda
2. Approve previous meeting minutes
3. Public comments
 - a. None
4. Any further work or discussion
5. Adjourn

Budget for 2022

Fuel is higher

- 2.38 heating oil
- 2.60 diesel — 4,000 gal — \$10,420.80
- Janet can work on the breakdowns per building for heating

Need to talk to road crew for next year's projects — maybe same as last year?

Guardrails?

Done with backhoe payments

Large truck? Has extended warranty through 2022. Can budget \$8,500 for maintenance repairs.

Elem. school / community center — hoping nothing in regular budget...

- should we start a fund for future grant matching?

Pay for Gary Fox's services? \$35 or 50 per hour?

Equipment fund

- replacement cost for backhoe: \$90,000
- New one would cost +50,000 over the trade in or 10,600/year for 5 years and then we own it.
- Can't get an extended warranty

Storm damage repairs should be covered by FEMA or state — we'll still have some matching, maybe 10%

Check with DeCamp if next year's contract will be the same

- Can we ask to get breakdowns? Hannah will ask.

Ask selectboard to get on the agenda for October for their input.

Hannah will send around a budget worksheet for people to work on. Take a section to do a first draft of:

- Hannah - Town Office Expenditures
- Janet - Highway Garage, Equipment
- Mike - Road Maintenance
- Amber - General expenses

Next meeting Oct 12

Adjourned 7:53