Report of the Fremont Budget Committee

The Fremont Budget Committee had a full complement for the first time in several years. Six are elected and two are appointed to the Budget Committee.

The first meeting of the 2015 Committee was April 20th to elect a Chair, Vice Chair, and to set up an agenda for the 2015 budget year. The next meeting was August 20th to review the current budget and decide how the town Department Heads would submit budgets for 2015 and set dates for the Fremont School District budget review.

The Budget Committee approved all the recommendations of the Selectboard except for one budget line within the Town's operating budget. There is an increase of \$43,556 due to the request for one new police officer and several contractual obligations. The Town Warrant Articles are not included in the operating budget total.

The Budget Committee and SAU 83 and the Fremont School Board met over the latter month of November and first few weeks of December. After discussing the tuition at Sanborn and class sizes at the Ellis School, it was agreed that the SAU would go back and make their own cuts to the school budget, which they agreed to do. The final request presented was \$131,264.50 less than the initial request. The final budget presented and recommended by the Budget Committee is \$11,901,212.08. This is \$177,791.24 less than the prior year, FY 15.

Respectfully submitted,

The Fremont Budget Committee Mary Anderson Gene Cordes, Selectmen's Representative Greg Fraize, School Board Representative Neal Janvrin

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