

If you read today's monitor there are a significant number of errors in the article. Here is what happened at last night's Selectman's meeting with regard to the budget.

The new Chief's salary was not cut (Monitor). The projected savings is the result of the difference in the old Chief being at the top of the pay scale due to his years of service and the new Chief at the entry level due to her years of service.

The Bow High School officer was not eliminated (Monitor). The full-time officer paid by Bow to work undercover in Manchester was added to the Bow based officers and a part-time offer will no longer be used. I motioned, second by Eric Anderson, to keep the part-timer and eliminate the Manchester position altogether but that motion failed on a 3-2 vote.

At this point the following budget was approved on a 5-0 vote.

	<b>Bottom line of voter reductions</b>	<b>Shortfall</b>
<b>Increased Expense</b>	<b>Added increase spending for gas and diesel</b>	<b>\$385,726</b>
<b>Increased Expense</b>	<b>Added increase spending for Road Salt</b>	<b>\$37,960</b>
<b>New Expense since last week</b>	<b>Sewer debt</b>	<b>\$ 48,390</b>
		<b>\$9,572</b>
	<b>Total of reduction needed to balance the budget</b>	<b>\$481,648</b>
	<b>Reduction</b>	
<b>Close Transfer Station</b>	<b>\$95,985</b>	\$385,663
<b>Asphalt (there is a special warrant that will provide and over \$300,999 in Road Paving)</b>	<b>\$76,200</b>	\$309,463
<b>Convert Position of Deputy Director to laborer</b>	<b>\$55,431</b>	\$254,032
<b>All Street Lights now off remain off</b>	<b>\$19,000</b>	\$235,032
<b>Drug Task Force Part Time Support from 1 Oct 08</b>	<b>\$37,978</b>	\$197,054
<b>Street Sweeping</b>	<b>\$20,000</b>	\$177,054
<b>Overtime</b>	<b>\$29,763</b>	\$147,291
<b>Police cruiser</b>	<b>\$24,677</b>	\$122,614

<b>Eliminate Cash Incentive Health Buyout for Part Time</b>	<b>\$21,180</b>	\$101,434
<b>Eliminate Seasonal Cemetery Worker</b>	<b>\$14,574</b>	\$86,860
<b>Library 4.63% X \$448,521</b>	<b>\$20,767</b>	\$66,093
<b>repaint yellow lines only</b>	<b>\$17,280</b>	\$48,813
<b>guard rails</b>	<b>\$2,000</b>	\$46,813
<b>Salary Difference New Police Chief</b>	<b>\$12,965</b>	\$33,848
<b>contingency sewer pump</b>	<b>\$10,000</b>	\$23,848
<b>Eliminate P&amp;R Summer Grounds Aide</b>	<b>\$8,670</b>	\$15,178
<b>Deluge gun - Ground Monitor</b>	<b>\$4,500</b>	\$10,678
<b>Charter Buses for Young at Heart</b>	<b>\$4,000</b>	\$6,678
<b>Records Preservation</b>	<b>\$3,000</b>	\$3,678
<b>Police Training (\$8,000 remains)</b>	<b>\$2,000</b>	\$1,678
<b>Reduce Supervisor check list</b>	<b>\$1,078</b>	\$600
<b>Employee tuition reimbursements</b>	<b>\$600</b>	\$0
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$481,648</b>