

**Town of Proctor Selectboard Special Meeting  
FY11 Budget Hearing with Finance Committee  
January 6, 2010  
6:00 – 6:40 P.M.**

**Board Members Present**

Rick Anderson, Chair  
Susan Feenick  
Lloyd Hughes

**Employees Present**

Steffanie Bourque, Town Administrator  
Brian Sanderson, Road Commissioner

**Agenda Items**

The purpose of the special meeting was to solicit input from the public on the proposed municipal budget for the 2010-2011 fiscal year. Rick Anderson opened the meeting with a review of the budget planning process, noting that the budget achieves an 11% decrease and an estimated \$579 tax savings on a \$160,000 house.

Jesse Richardson, chair of the Finance Committee, reviewed the major changes in expenditures and revenues proposed for FY11 and the Finance Committee's six budgetary recommendations.

Input from the public consisted of the following:

1. The Selectboard should consider increasing the employee's contribution for health insurance from 15% to 20%.

Other questions from the public included:

1. Clarification on how many employees will be cut from the Highway Department – one employee.
2. Clarification on whether revenue from the Minnie Proctor Pool Fund was budgeted – yes, \$2,000.
3. Clarification on whether the reduction in the budget for sand/salt will jeopardize our winter operations – no, the reduction was based on historical usage.
4. Can a motion be made from the floor at Town Meeting to modify the budget? Yes, although it was uncertain if the motion can specify how the budget change is achieved or if the Selectboard has the authority to determine how a budget change will be achieved.