TOWN OF ESSEX

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Edward Gardner Supervisor

Patricia Gardner Town Clerk

TOWN COUNCIL:

Mark Wrisley Bryan Garvey Claire LaPine James LaForest

Preliminary Budget Hearing November 5, 2015 6:00pm

Supervisor Gardner opened the meeting with the pledge.

Town Clerk Gardner read the notice of the meeting.

Roll Call: Supervisor Gardner, Councilpersons; LaForest, LaPine, Garvey and Wrisley.

Also in attendance: Bradley French, Highway Superintendent; Donna Haynes, Bookkeeper, Jay White

Supervisor Gardner opened the hearing asking for questions from the floor. He stated that with the hard work of Donna Haynes and Kathy Persons the Municipal Bookkeeper. They found a refund of around \$10,000 that would go into fund balance allowing the use of more reserves to keep us under the tax cap.

Hearing no questions he asked board members if they wanted to work on anything tonight or take the budget home and go over it again and discuss it at the board meeting on Thursday.

Councilman LaForest asked what the \$16,175 under Water Appropriations, Transfer to Capital Project Funds was. Donna was going to look it up but all agreed that the information could be disseminated before the next meeting. He also asked if he was correct that the EMS budget would not be in this year's calculation of the tax cap. The response was yes.

Supervisor Gardner reminded the board that this budget could still be tweaked but if all were in agreement at next Thursdays meeting it could be passed it.

Being no further comments, Supervisor Gardner closed the hearing.

Respectfully Submitted,

Patricia Gardner