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**Emergency Management Budget**: Bill Taffe presented a proposed Emergency Management Budget to the board. Line items were reviewed. He requested more of a breakdown of the budget this year in order to better track expenses.

**Health Officer Budget**: Bill Taffe presented the budget to the board.

Emergency Medical Services Budget: Bill Taffe presented the EMS budget to the board. The budget includes some new equipment items that the state is or will be requiring. One item is a 12 lead ECG which if purchased would replace the AED (defibrillator). If replaced the AED would be placed in the Town Office Building, which is something the Safety Committee has been discussing and the cost of a new AED would be approximately \$1650.00 Bill also asked about the possibility of establishing a Major Equipment Capital Reserve Fund.

## **Privilege of the Floor:**

Carl Spring asked if the public could receive the same budget information that the board was given. The public only received the cover sheets of each budget presented this evening. The public will not receive any payroll related material. It was discussed whether this information should/could be copies or e-mailed to everyone. The board will discuss this further.

Jerry Thibodeau had questions/comments regarding the Police Department Budget including the radar trailer. Is it necessary to purchase a new one, could a used one be purchased from the State of NH, could one be borrowed from a neighboring town? He also asked what the use of a radar trailer accomplishes. Mark Andrew explained that it makes motorists more aware of their speed and it records speed and traffic patterns.

John Bagley asked about the monthly police department activity reports and are they still being provided? John Fucci explained that yes the board receives a monthly report but he has been unable to publish it in the Rumney Register.

Other questions raised were if the police special officer hours had decreased since the second full-time officer began working in 2007 and if it is cost efficient to have two cruisers. Also discussed was the lease/purchase option of a cruiser and how the lease would work.

The board explained that all payroll/salaries will be discussed after the general budget is prepared.

**Signed:** Checks; Veterans Credit Updates

The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,