

**Approved Minutes of the Budget Advisory Committee (BAC)
Temple Municipal Offices
Wed. August 25, 2004**

Members present

Steve Andersen
Rae Barnhisel
Paul Jordan
Allan Oxman

Others present

Ted Petro (Select Board)
Charlene Eddy (Select Board)

Meeting called to order at 7:10 pm.

1. Minutes from August 11, 2004 (Mtg. 6), approved as amended. Members provided email addresses to Barnhisel to receive minutes ahead of regular meetings.
2. Members discussed how to present recommendations to Select Board. Barnhisel will consolidate recommendations from minutes and present them to the BAC as a draft document to be presented to the Select Board.
3. Members reviewed the Budget Timeline and agreed to meet with department heads in the next 5 meetings. Andersen will schedule the meetings and ensure that the BAC meets with the Admin. Asst., Debra Harling, at her earliest convenience.
4. Barnhisel presented an overview of the history of the Brown Road landfill and the evaluations, recommendations, and requirements to date (copy attached). T. Petro reported that the Select Board had hired Eastview Environmental of Peterborough to address Dept. of Environmental Services requirements dated 6/24/04. Andersen suggested that the BAC wait for the Eastview report before addressing appropriations for future and ongoing monitoring.
5. Members agreed that the criteria for elderly exemptions should be addressed. T. Petro reported that currently two Temple residents qualify for the exemption.
6. C. Eddy presented information on a Budget & Finance Workshop scheduled for 9/28/04. Topics included financing a Capital Improvements Program, property tax exemptions (including elderly), and SB2 default budgets. Barnhisel agreed to bring in registration forms ahead of the 9/21/04 registration deadline and tentatively agreed to attend.

Meeting adjourned at 8:17 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Rae Barnhisel

Sept. 8, 2004