

Town of Panton  
Budget Meeting  
Tuesday, December 15, 2009  
6:00 p.m. – Panton Town Offices

Board:

Eric Carter  
Beth Tarallo  
John Viskup

Administration:

Sue Torrey  
Rick Cloutier

Guests:

Alroy Aunchman  
Deb Brace  
Bruce Many

Call to Order: Chair Viskup reconvened the meeting from December 8, 2009 at 6:00 p.m.

Discussion of dog fees and penalties with Deb Brace who advised she was expecting to receive the total dog fines collected of \$625.00 (plus share of late registration fees of \$333.00). The Board advised that this was never agreed upon at any of the previous meetings and believes the fine was set too high especially considering today's economy. Deb reminded the Board that the fines collected were assessed according to the Panton Dog Ordinance. The Board however, pointed out that Section 6. Penalties, A. clearly states "shall be fined not more than \$100.00 for each offense". The Board reiterated their position to Deb per their December 8<sup>th</sup> meeting. At this point Deb left the meeting with the indication she was resigning her post as Dog Warden/Constable.

Proposed budgets for 2010/2011 were reviewed and discussed. Preliminary calculations indicate a very small overall increase from last fiscal year (less than \$2k). Further review to be determined at a later date.

Chair Viskup adjourned the meeting at 9:45 p.m.

Respectfully,

Susan Torrey  
Clerk