

Budget Committee Meeting Wednesday, October 5<sup>th</sup>, 6 pm

Lynda Gingerich: facilitator, Jain Elliott: scribe, Hilary Anthony, Kirsten Bolton, Norma Sax, Sandra Bauer, Steve Gorham, Lucy Kingsley, Bennett Rogers (for parts). Not attending: George Braddock, Sheldon Doughty. Guests: Robby Lira, Sue Theolass Martha Evans

Budget Committee Calendar—set meeting dates

Dates set:

October 12, 6-8 Coordinator budget meeting

Nov 9: staff presents Budget documents to BC

Nov 17

Nov 21, staff budget

Jan 4

Jan 11

Jan 18

(Assess if another is needed)

Jan 22 Coordinator budget meeting

Jan 30 Operating budgets to Board

Discussion:

Lynda says we're looking at fewer meetings in October, November, and December, and more meetings in January. Lucy is concerned about this decision—wasn't made by the committee as a whole. Wants more collaboration and communication. Strongly objects. Hilary refers to the August email that outlined the proposed changes in calendar and process—committee members have had over a month to weigh in (corrected from meeting statement of nearly 2 months). No email dialogue followed, but some phone calls did. This process will make the assembly of the budget request forms and supporting documents the responsibility of staff, and allow the budget committee to meet with all of the requests assembled. This can provide for a big picture approach—and gives the BC all of December to read the background information so that we don't have to have meeting that folks have not read the documents for ahead of time. The BC has a better chance of managing the pass and money totals (for capacity and financial goals) with this approach. Budget committee responsibility for the decisions does not change. This change is intended to help the BC take more of the big picture in, rather than an overemphasis on detail at the expense of the whole. Kirsten says these changes are actually quite minor, will help the budget process work more smoothly. Instead of working every week for months on end, staff will be able to get to know coordinators, get to know their needs, gather and present data, so the committee will have what they need to make decisions. Only changes process of collecting data. Staff will not work as BC liaisons, only committee members will. Lucy says this is not a community building way of doing business, Vanessa, WhAlexis, and Mark can join the budget committee. Sending out an email and asking for input is not inviting a community conversation. Grumpy agrees with Lucy that this process was not the best. Doesn't have a problem with staff reviewing interim stuff, and for this year it's great. Some conversation about dates.....

Lucy says staff are not particularly knowledgeable about the ways coordinators triangulate the process. When she's brought that up pre-Fair, her concern was met with indifference. It's important as an organization that we not allow triangulation to contaminate interactions we have about the budget. Also has concerns not related to the schedule that she'll refrain from talking about right now. Hilary pointed out that the proposed budgets are still the BC responsibility—staff is assembling a draft with the supporting documents. This plan will offer 5 or 6 weeks of all the budget requests on google drive, ready to go, fully assembled, that we can review during that time. We can call coordinators and staff during that time, and ask questions. Then when we come together, we can finalize it. This proposal is not trying to open the door to triangulation. If we continue this model over time, the staff is will become knowledgeable about how this works. Part of what is so challenging about bringing new crew and staff in is we have a very complicated inventory set up. It will be worth it to get more people involved to help it go more smoothly. We can set up a data system that can be used more easily. It's been eye opening trying to explain to 3 different ED's that we have complicated categories of crew passes, trade passes, and other passes that we need to simplify if we want to more easily train new people. Sandra says we've been talking about this for a lot of the time she's been on the committee. This is a welcome step forward. Interested to see how it works out. Lucy doesn't see why we can't work with the staff while they review the budgets as we always have. Our operations and site managers have been part of this committee and had voting rights as we've reviewed the documents. She's profoundly distressed. Doesn't find google drive very helpful, because the final documents don't match her records of what people were budgeted. Has concerns that if we create a computer system it will have the ability within itself to help with the money piece. She's a little appalled to learn that that booth reg would cost \$11,000. A similar system out of house would be even more money that could better be spent supporting our mission of philanthropy rather than some commercial business endeavor. Doesn't get why as a committee we can't do the work with the staff. Hilary says we weren't paying that for the system, that was the charge for people being able to use credit cards, which is not cheap. The system was cheap. There will be costs with accepting credit cards. Right now we have coordinators collecting money and putting it in their personal accounts.

Lynda redirects conversation to the calendar. Lucy wants the budget committee to work with the staff. Lynda says this is a draft calendar—it's easy to update something that comes as a draft. Hoping to build it out. If committee members want to work with staff and talk with them while they're gathering info, that can happen. We don't need a budget committee meeting to do that. We can have those conversations without having the whole committee meet. Lynda doesn't need to meet with staff while they're gathering info. If Lucy does, she can talk with Kirsten about facilitating that. Wants to talk about actual dates now. Kirsten says staff will be working with the budget committee once everything is collected, to review everything and give feedback. Lucy can't see info on screen because the chat scroll sits on top of it. Lucy says she has a lot to do with actual distribution of the inventory, finds it very important and community building to meet with the coordinators. If committee decides that this is the system you want to go with she will object, but she will live with that. She will feel like she is being excluded from the community building that is involved with building the budget. Hilary—in the past Norma and Stephanie have helped put the budget together. Coordinators would drop things

off and they would photocopy it. The difference here is that coordinators will have staff members that will be sure all the info we need is available. It's still the budget committee's job to review and put together the final budget. We should all be resources for coordinators. We'll be engaged with the staff and with the coordinators. Grumpy doesn't know if all staff knows they are encouraged to get in touch with us. Some have been in touch with him, and that's good. That should help with Lucy's concerns. They need our help, and should be encouraged to ask for it. He doesn't know that we have to wait for everybody's budget to be done at the same time. That's ridiculous. If, say, Traffic is ready, should be presented when it's ready. Shouldn't wait til January if it's done earlier. That will make it more like it was done before. Hilary repeated that one goal is to get an overall picture of the projected budget before approving pieces of it in order to have a stronger approach to planning.

Lynda's ready to add some data points and then discuss dates. Kirsten: The 2023 folder is on google drive. Staff will drop all documents into this directory, which will be shared with the budget committee. You will have all the time you need to review them. When you look at the actual budget document itself, you'll see two columns—has staff contacted them, and are there documents associated with the request. Committee will have access to these starting tomorrow. You can look at everything that's been collected, easy to see where there have been changes since last year's budget. Had a training last Thursday, has another meeting on the 20th on how to read and use this. Staff will be present at meetings to explain changes they're made. Kirsten verified that the budget committee email goes to all bc members, and during data collection, crews will send info to their staff liaison.

Grumpy again said why not continue to evaluate budgets as they come in. Hilary said, let's not do it piecemeal; we need to look at them as a cohesive whole. She's asking the committee to put aside concerns and try this method. Can put up info on google docs to give them a heads up about things in their history, but it will end up coming back to us. We are the decision makers. Lucy has never been able to successfully access google drives, so this will be challenging for her personally. Supposes she can chat with Mark and he can help her. Will find it personally overwhelming to be handed the complete documents, if you consider trades in addition to the crews, wants to be included in the work the staff is doing personally. Since she does so much of the inventory she wants to be able to speak to people. Since she provides the oversight for distribution, finds having more contact with staff helpful to do her job well.

Lynda wants to build out the calendar. Committee agreed on the dates above.

Follow up to FPC—Hilary reminded folks that the cash flow is now much more accurate than it was in the past (and we don't expect large variations in the admission revenue due to selling more tickets). The out come is that it is important for the operating budget to be in the black. We need to consider the overall limits of spending and passes.

Assign Budget Committee liaisons to crews

Lynda--any changes? Is staff going to also reach out to get the budgets from crews from don't have liaisons? In some instances staff operates as both staff and budget liaisons. Changes

have been made to the contact sheet on the contact list. BUMs, BUM back-ups, budget liaisons, and staff liaisons are easy to find. Lucy—is Sue on the budget committee? Sue says she volunteered to work with craft inventory last year because people were overworked. Has no attachment, just trying to help. Hilary—these should all be budget committee members, but we'll need Bennet, George, and Sheldon here to finish this up. Hilary will send out a list with positions open. Grumpy appreciates the clarity on the contact list. Lynda—feel free to put your name in a slot that needs a name. If we have gaps in November we'll finish it then.

## 2023 Budget handbook

Higher limit for capital projects: we put out the budget handbook saying \$2000 rather than 200.

Food Vouchers—discuss effort to expand during Fair breakfast—James Bateman said we (something) and Kirsten and Hilary talked with during fair kitchen who had increases in 2019 to add a 10-12 breakfast service. Hilary isn't sure whether they felt that that was just for 2019. Heard a lot about infrastructure shortcomings. Trying to help those most in need, help crews that go on early. Grumpy--good to get the liaison who's helping with both of those crews prefair. Mermaid could help them start talking to each other. Hilary says they do. Lucy's been part of the conversation with James about the value of the food vouchers. They're worth \$3. We printed 94,000 of them this year. It wouldn't have been enough if the crews had taken their full allotment. It's a huge printing expense. What if we made them \$6 for 2 hours, we'd only have to print half as many. A lot of the expense is to keep them from being easily counterfeited. Grumpy--budget handbook has a chart in which the coordinators food voucher policy makes no sense to him. Each coordinator should get 32 food vouchers and put a limit on it. Hilary--the chart is like the coordinator's expense allowance. Happy to explain it. She has always supported all coords qualifying for 32. Grumpy wants to change it to that. Hilary says it's already gone out to coords. Kirsten suggests we take it under advisement for next years' handbook.

Outer Limits parking pass is eliminated and onsite sticker is used for west side of fair.

Peach Pass—instead of having peach passes and VIP passes, we'll just have one day pass with 11-8 entry, in order to reduce types of inventory, make things more efficient and simple. This will not affect the wdp, or the number of passes allocated, tho the budget committee will be looking closing at all comp passes in consideration of capacity goals. Short discussion on whether more passes will be used on Sat. Kirsten looking for name of new pass...Sue said in chat: Very Important Peach.

## Teams to crews

Kirsten says teams is a try before you buy. Easy to switch, especially if they have supplies and services. Has recommended which ones should be switched, in red. Over time we should be converting most of them. Lucy sees a financial ramification for most of those. Hilary

supports it in theory, has some concern about particulars. As teams and crews change roles—they should be re-evaluated. Some teams may be temporary. Hilary is concerned with added admin because of having very small crews (less than 10 people), and hope we will address that. As we work with capacity limits, we will have to learn to prioritize and move staff between functions. The trade list has not always been allocated passes with same criteria as the crews and teams. Grumpy—agenda item for next meeting, we should all look at this and give Kirsten feedback. Lynda will add this to the agenda. Grumpy says this has been discussed at the BUMs retreat, so some may have already made their recommendations to Kirsten or soon will. Kirsten says making Elders a crew is not a good idea. Making Far Side Traffic a crew is a good idea. Big Boys should be a team not a crew. Motor Pool should be a team. Should be financially even. Hilary doesn't want special formulas for different teams or crews; that is, to be fair, all teams and crews and trades should get SOs, guest passes, food vouchers and vehicle stickers with the same criteria/formula. Exceptions should be for function, not for preferential treatment. (for example, some of the safety crews need a lot of emergency vehicle stickers) Kirsten tried to regularize Big Boys, got push back from BUMs. Doesn't want a secondary class of volunteers with either fewer or more benefits as other crews. Mechanics could be broken out from Site Crew.

Budget committee minutes for Thursday November 17, 2022

Committee members attending: Hilary Anthony, Lynda Gingrich, Steve Gorham, Lucy Kingsley, George Braddock, Sandra Bauer, Bennett Rogers

Staff: Kirsten Bolton, Mark Malaska, Alexis Maddock, Sierra McComas, Vanessa Roy, Norma Sax

Facilitator: Lynda Gingerich

Agenda:

1. Agenda review
2. Staff presentation of budget materials
3. Hilary will present comparisons of 2022 budgets and actuals and 2023 actuals. She would like a discussion on creating a live budget document on google drive for 2023 budget
4. Review budget liaison list, three crews need to have a budget committee liaison
5. Committee logistics: Discuss budget committee work to be done between now and the end of January when the budget will be presented to the board for approval. Does the committee want to collect questions for the liaisons to explore with crews prior to our meetings in January or wait until January for those questions to be addressed. Do we collect those questions on a google drive document or via email?
6. Meeting minutes: October meeting minutes are on Google drive.
7. Announcements

**Agenda review:** Kirsten presented the agenda prepared for the committee members.

**Staff presentation of documents:** Kirsten provided a demonstration on accessing documents in Google Drive. A line- by- line examination of the crew budgets will occur in January. Staff did the ground work contacting crew coordinators about budget changes for 2023. Financial information about the funds crews actually used in 2022 is available in Quick Books and is being sent to the Budget Committee. There is not an integrated spreadsheet showing both budgets and actuals for inventory.

**Comparison spreadsheets:** Hilary made a presentation of a spreadsheet that shows 2022 and 2023 budgets. Information on the 2022 actuals for inventory and expenditures are not on this spreadsheet. There was some discussion about how time consuming it is to create such a spreadsheet and how cumbersome it is to search in different places to get a unified financial picture. For now, the committee will be collecting and storing inventory information on spreadsheets and financial information in Quick books. Several committee members asked that the spreadsheets be available in a manner that is printable.

There is a need for a spreadsheet that shows “live” budgets for 2023. Hilary will work on this.

**Liaison list:** Hilary presented the budget committee liaison list. A budget committee liaison was found for each of the three crews that needing them.

**Committee Logistics:** How are the staff and budget committee members going to keep current with each other through the budget season? Committee members and staff discussed the pros and cons of doing this by email, holding questions until January, communicating via google docs. Through this dialogue, committee members and staff will have on-going email exchanges prior to the January meetings. Hilary will create a log in google drive that will display questions and answers about budgets. Using this tool is a new work habit for some committee members.

**Minutes:** Lucy agreed to take budget committee minutes. She will send out the minutes to committee members for additions, corrections and changes before sending to Kirsten who will then post them.

**Announcements:**

On Monday we will discuss staff budgets

Grumpy informed the committee that as of yesterday staff and back-up manages began meeting together in person.

A discussion was had about eliminating Peach passes in order to save on printing costs and that there would be a single type of day pass that is good for any one day of the event. Worker day passes will not be changed.

No votes were taken during this meeting.

Submitted by Lucy Kingsley

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## Budget committee minutes January 4, 2023

Facilitated by Kirsten Bolton

Minutes by Lucy Kingsley

Members present: Hilary, Steve Gorham (Grumpy), Sandra Bauer, George Braddock, Lucy, Sheldon Doughty

Members absent: Lynda Gingerich and Bennett Rogers

Staff present: Kirsten, Mark, Vanessa, Norma, Sierra, Alex

Guests: Shirley Anderson and Paxton Hoag

### Agenda:

1. procedures around the keeping of the minutes
2. housekeeping
3. begin review of crew budgets

**1. Procedures around the keeping of the minutes:** Kirsten said that the meetings will be recorded, but not be posted (did Kirsten say under what conditions recordings are accessed?) Lucy said that she thought, for the sake of transparency, there needs to be documentation of proceedings for the community to have access to. Hilary said that she supported the record keeping the BC has done— considering the work product and the notes on the decisions to be the minutes (see 2019 as the best example); and said that recording votes and final decisions and information on the adjustments to budget requests were the priority.

For now, Lucy will take written minutes of the meeting. The committee will approve the minutes at the following meeting. The approved minutes will then be made available to the community at large.

**2. Housekeeping:** Hilary inquired as to whether or not folks have adequate access to the records being kept in Google Docs, are reviewing requests, are current with changes. She noted that the information has been there through December for committee members to review and for budget liaisons to follow up on questions. No one expressed any difficulty. Hilary provided an overview of the “front and back pages” of budgets. She announced that allocations for vehicle stickers will be made after all the budgets are done, as we have done for 4 years, as we can no longer meet the formula that we used to use because the number of qualifying passes, when allocated by that formula, generate a higher number of vehicle stickers than we have been printing.



This year there won't be a delineation of on site and outer limit vehicle stickers. There will be a single on-site sticker. This is a slight cost saving measure. We have the capacity to park about 8200 vehicles on site (note from Hilary, I don't know where that number came from and what it represents). In addition, we will have the customary Far Side, Service and Emergency vehicle stickers.

### **3. Begin review of crew budgets:**

Hilary note: I think we need a record that can be useful for the coordinators and future reference. As such, each crew that has changes should have detail. For example, each transfer of rental equipment should be noted in amount. And each increase should be noted in amount and, why.

Admissions: Remains the same as 2022

Advertising: Media personnel have been given their own team. This will reduce the advertising crew size by that amount. No other change.

4 A: a pre/post team has been created. This will reduce the 4 A crew size. No other changes

Archeology: Remains same as 2022

Art Barn: has been moved from trade to crew category. This will generate a coordinator expense. There will be a decrease in their supplies and services.

Banners and Signs: There will be an increase in their supplies and services budget.

BIPOC Sanctuary: Causes and conditions are such that this crew does not have a coordinator at this time. Therefore, there is no one with whom to discuss budgetary matters. There was a lot of discussion around issues of equity and intersectionality between this crew and Rainbow Connection. The draft budget of Rainbow connection includes 18 crew passes, and BIPOC sanctuary 8. In 2022, each group had access to the same number, but BIPOC Sanctuary did not fill all their positions. Committee discussion centered on whether to establish both these new crews with the same budget, or whether to identify the coordinator and have them request passes. The two crews split a tandem space in Xavanadu and have worked with path planning for years on developing the space, camping and programing. Hilary, the budget liaison, and Alex, the staff liaison will follow up with the previously identified lead, and others, if necessary.

(note: we had a vote and need to record that)

Hilary moved, and Sandra seconded, that this crew be allocated a budget at the same level as the Rainbow connection. Motion passed 4 to 2, Grumpy and Sheldon objecting.

Buses: Remains the same as 2022

Camping: 16 folks are being pulled from this crew to form a mediation crew who will work in concert with CeDar to resolve any and all matters needing mediation

throughout the fair, not just camping area disputes. This crew will receive the customary additional allocation of coordinator expense.

Cart Central: Remains the same as 2022

Cartography: will have an increase in their supplies and services budget.

Child care: the committee will review this crew's request at a later meeting

Commemorative sales: Remains the same as 2022

Communications: there is a \$25,000 increase in their budget to pay for the cost of renting digital radios. Staff has been working with the communication coordinator on the rental contract and associated services. Grumpy requested that BUMS Charlie Zennache and Jessica Meiter be brought in to the conversation. The committee asked that the issue be brought up to the BUMS at their upcoming meeting. The committee supports having the rental radios, and the terms of the contract, and additional services must be worked out.

Community Village: Remains the same at 2022

Construction: (note need amounts)

Craft demo: Has been moved to a crew from a team. Their budget will remain the same at last year with the addition of coordinator expense now that they are a crew.

Craft inventory: Remains the same as 2022

Crew Services: Has requested additional supplies and services funds for additional golf carts and gators. Mark said he would research how many delivery vehicles they use/need. The committee supports the vehicles being allocated and budgeted through the motorpool. Sheldon requested the delivering schedule in order to facilitate the discussions on scheduling and rentals. The BC agreed to fund the two small equipment requests for cambros, \$600, and 5 LED lanterns, \$1000, and no other requests. Sierra said that the site staff will commit to securing the battery packs and maintaining them through the year, with training from the Crew Services volunteers. She assured the committee that the batteries and lights will not be used for other purposes through the year.

Deconstruction: Remains the same as 2022

Dog Control: Remains the same as 2022

Dug's Green (entertainer transport service): Remains the same as 2022

Durables: Remains the same as 2022

Energy Park: Remains the same as 2022

Ambiance art: Remains the same

Ambiance entertainment: received an increase in \$3500 to increase pay for entertainers

Chela Mela: Making a change in the kinds of passes they will receive. They will move 5 trade passes to 3 crew and 2 significant other passes. They will decrease their day pass allocation by 10 from 2022, they will receive an additional service

vehicle pass and also have an increase in their supplies and services budget to increase the pay of entertainers. (need amounts)

Main Stage: Will receive an increase of \$6000 for improving sound, and increase in funds to pay the entertainers more, and will increase their crew size by 2. They will receive the number of worker day passes they requested, and thanks for the significant reduction.

Solar Stages: they will receive an increase in funds for sound personnel, equipment rental, payment of entertainers. Staffing size is still under consideration with the loss of Shady Grove stage. Hilary will talk with Bennett, the budget committee liaison, about this.

This was as far as we got though the crew/trades list during our meeting. We will meet at the same time over the next two Wednesdays to complete the task prior to the board/budget meeting on January 30, 2023.

Of note, there are a number of teams being proposed (by staff) for crew status. Hilary has pointed out that in recent years, staff has reserved the prerogative to make these reclassifications (and gave two examples of staff using that authority); it used to be board responsibility, but has not been so since around the time of the NAO report. Lucy remembered the process differently, thinking that the budget committee had decision making power in the team/crew classification; she supports budget committee involvement. Further clarification would have to wait for the next meeting.

## BUDGET MEETING 2/15/23

Present:

Budget Committee, Hilary, Lynda, Grumpy, Sandra, George, ,

Staff: Kirsten, Norma (scribe), Alexis, Mark, Sierra

Board: George

Tonight's meeting is to review capital improvement (CI) project requests

We have \$30,000 in Green Ticket funds.

Hilary pointed out in an email that the Budget Committee's convention has been that all carryover CI projects are automatically approved, and can be adjusted for remaining costs.

Kirsten said we asked all crews that had 2022 capital projects that did not get all spent to ask for a carryover.

Hilary suggested we try for \$125,000 to \$150,000 as our maximum amount for capital expenditures. We can recommend our high priorities and consider other projects if we have a good fair financially.

Kirsten explained the staff reviewed the CI projects and ranked them as #1 health and safety, #2 needed for the event. #3 want but could live without.

The committee reviewed each proposal in order of staff ranking. Staff answered questions of BC members.

### **#1 Priorities (Staff)**

Big bird: Hilary has concerns about White Bird's space expansion.

Vaudeville Caravan Stage – The request is for \$1500 for stage repairs, ranked at #1, and \$500 for fencing, ranked at #3.

Communications: KB said we need four additional radios for staff on site all year around. If we want radios to last all year round, we need repeaters to buy rather than rent. This is our evolution to fully year-round radios on site.

### Fuel

The Hub: HA expressed concern about putting solar panels on the building at the Hub. Sierra pointed out that mechanics use the building; Elders use it to charge wheelchairs and battery carts are charged there. \$13,000 could be a little high. The main leak over Chubville could present health problem, as food is stored there.

Ice Refer – Alexis – This is to finish the work on the dock that he started last year.

IT – This would allow radio communication if power went out. Battery backup.

Main Stage – HA: This is what we committed to when we put off redoing the stage.

Prefair kitchen – The request is for used equipment.

Sanitation – Construction will do the sewing work for this project.

Shower crew – A rigid grey water tank is needed to increase capacity.

Water Crew –

What Barn - We're expecting to pay \$1000 as the deductible for storm damage repairs. Insurance will cover the rest of the cost.

## **#2 Priorities (Staff)**

Construction crew projects

Caretaker Yurt – Staff is asking for funding for roof repairs and the water filtration system. Durwin lives there full-time.

Vaudeville Caravan Stage Fence Build – HA thinks this expense can come out of Construction S&S.

Alice's water heater – The majority of request is for plumbing and exhaust work. Could be rated #1, especially if we can get it for \$8000 rather than \$12,000.

Xavanadu stewardship roof – Hilary thought it seemed like expensive cloth and it needs a storage solution. Perhaps construction sewing team sewing them.

Cart central – CC will be asked to rent tents this year

Monkey Palace – This can be moved to \$6500. The poles are purchased already. Can be moved #1 or move it to a carryforward.

## **#3 Priority (staff)**

Commemorative Sales - Not a must-have but would give them better visibility and increase sales.

Community Village Spirit Booth rebuild – Sue says this booth is in serious need of repair.

Craft demo – Asking for storage of equipment and supplies during the event. Maybe construction can help and we can scale it back a bit.

DUG's Green – Carryover. Funded for \$15G last year, spent \$5G this year. Want to repair heaters, replace windows, paint interior and floor. Can do it for \$10G.

Ice refer shade cloth

Internal security – Very little information. Alexis to follow up.

Screen shack – Sierra said this is part of SUP requirement to get permit for screen shack. It's now permitted as a pole barn; currently being used as an upland kitchen. We want to get a permitted legal septic situation. Kirsten said we've been paying to get extensions on SUP depending on permits for screen house. We need to make progress on this permit so it will be fully granted to us. Grumpy says delay as long as we can since it's going to cost us \$15G. Hilary says she thought it couldn't be used as part of Culture Jam because of being in violation of land use permit.

Traffic

Cartography

Flower Crew

KOCF – This is a long-term project to furnish their studio. Not for health or safety or must have for the event.

Lot Crew – Sierra said for now, not a high health and safety priority. Alexis would like to investigate why it's so expensive to run a line out there.

Site vehicle – Not expected to be funded now. Dolittle is not going to last forever. It would be good to have a road-worthy vehicle to go back and forth to town. Not a high priority this year.

SWAG – SWAG means sanitation, water and greywater. SM – prefer they improve the hand washing stations they already built improved before putting in new ones.

Town Office – Roof inspection, exterior paint.

Hilary – We should rearrange carryover requests to the top of the list. Budget Committee should rank projects. Hopefully we can focus next week on the few requests that need a little change.

BUDGET COMMITTEE

February 22, 2023

Present: Budget Committee: Hilary, Lynda, George, Sandra, Grumpy

Staff: Kirsten, norma, Vanessa, Mark, Alexis, Sierra

Board: Sue

The Budget Committee reviewed and ranked all the proposed Capital Improvement Project requests. They will present their recommendations with ranking, in order of recommended funding, to the Board at its March 6 meeting.

The BC decided that \$150,000 would be the cutoff total amount to recommend for funding.

The BC recommended the following changes to the original proposed amounts that are recommended for funding:

IT - infrastructure upgrades and equipment - \$6000 (original request: \$10,000)  
Main Stage – stage construction and scaffolding - \$10,000 (original request: \$12,000)  
Construction Crew – general construction projects - \$7000 (original request: \$4,300)  
Alice’s Water Heater - \$8,00 (original request: \$12,000)  
Xavanadu Art & Stewardshjp shade cloth - \$1500 (original request: \$4,000)  
Town Office – Catch up on deferred maintenance - \$4000 (original request: \$6,000)  
Craft Demo – storage for materials and stage - \$2400 (original request: \$4,200)

The BC also finished its review of crew budgets: Crew Services, External Security, Video, and Xavanadu Movement.