

## **Town of Westford**

### **December 10, 2015 Budget Hearing**

Question: Dan, could you generate a report showing the total gallons of gasoline are budgeted to be used by the town in total (if that number is even available), last year's budgeted rate and this year's budgeted rate of dollars/gallon and a total town-wide expected savings to the budget just for the lower anticipated gasoline prices.

In July of 2014, we sent out the initial budgets with a gasoline per gallon cost of \$3.75. After the rates continued to fall, we made several adjustments to budgets to bring them more in line with future gasoline price forecasts (\$2.95 per gallon). Our assumption for FY17 is \$2.90 per gallon. Since we made adjustment to this year's budget, there's no significant savings windfall except in Highway. Total for the Town, we budgeted for \$282,406 in gasoline usage for FY16. For FY17, we budgeted \$252,750. We do not have a report that generates the number of gallons used. Please see the attached spreadsheet for detail regarding departmental gasoline usage.

I do believe this could be an opportunity for savings as we progress through the budget process.

