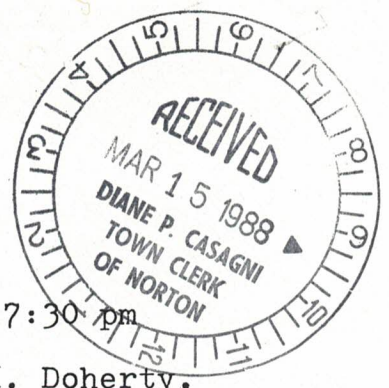


FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES  
February 24, 1988



The meeting was called to order at approximately 7:30 pm

Present: R. Anderson, M. Brown, J. Desrochers, J. Doherty,  
P. Helmreich, B. Kimball, C. MacQuown, A. Smith,  
D. Ward

R. Anderson moved that the minutes of the meeting of 2-17-88 be accepted.

M. Brown seconds

Discussion of Big E Mansfield property.  
8-0-1

P. Helmreich reviews meeting procedures.

TOWN CLERK article 30 & 31

Bylaw Committee suggests changes:

- 1) No quorum requirement for Town meeting or Special town meeting (recommended by Town Counsel)
- 2) All Town meeting articles will be taken in order as placed on the warrant
- 3) Reconsideration motions can only be taken after all other articles considered. Will enable the proper use of the reconsideration process
- 4) To allow Town Clerk to number and organize all bylaws
- 5) Grant Committee Chairman to dismiss members who have failed to come to meetings without just cause

Bylaw Committee to meet again with Finance Committee on March 7, 1988 to further discuss the proposed changes.

BOARD OF HEALTH article 22

C. DeCosta provides cost estimates received.

A Representative from Western geophysical is present to answer any questions regarding the engineering.

Costs include closure, construction, and different materials which can be used

Closure plan should be finished in July and then the Board can go out to bid.

Review of figures

C. DeCosta states that until the landfill is capped there is the possibility of leachate which can contaminate the water supply.

The Board has applied for a 90% grant.

\$60,000 savings using coal ash. C. DeCosta notes the problems with dust control and other problems which may arise.

The Engineering Representative notes the problems with fly ash: the need to have the fly ash pass State regulations, the unknown risks

Requested 3.9 Million. This is a cost estimate because the plans have not been finished and has not gone to bid.

The Board of Health cannot apply for the grant until the Town appropriates the funds

Project will take approximately 1 year.

The Town is under administrative order to close the landfill but it has not been mandated and there is no deadline to cap the landfill

P. Helmreich notes that it has been suggested that the Town could put \$500,000 in stabilization for the next 3 years. This would save the Town from the additional bond item. If the Town does bond the \$3.9M, the Town will be at its bonding limit.

C. DeCosta notes that in three years the leachate could reach the Town wells.

The engineering Representative notes that the cost are increasing and in three years will cost much more.

Phase I, II, III cost was \$172,000 approx which was funded from the last Town meeting.

Over 200 sites in the State of Massachusetts are also applying for the grant. The Town's water situation will help the Town's chance in receiving grant funds.

Fly ash will take the place of soil fill.

Fly ash costs: compaction, quality control, dust control costs. There will be a one year warranty. There will be an annual maintenance fee to cover any problems. There will also be an annual inspection fee.

After 1 year has passed, the Town can use the land for passive recreational uses.

Liner has 20-25 year usage, more preferable

Clay will require more maintenance, high trucking costs

Ultimate cost estimate of \$3.9M includes 25% contingency

1 ft to 1½ feet of fly ash is all that is needed.

Use of liner is \$3.3M cost approx

#### FIRE

##### article 11

Class A Pumper request \$185,500 bid 4 man cab. No men will ride outside of truck. Safety requirement.

Retire 1958 pumper. Unable to buy parts

Custom trucks last approx 15-18 years.

Lease/purchase program \$46,000-47,000 for 3 years.

Leasing will stabilize the amount the Town has to pay yearly to revolve purchase of Fire trucks.

##### Chartley Station

Second year of two year program

Costs include supplies. To perform energy efficient program, rebuild and shingle supply shed and paint exterior

##### article 27

Transfer of \$3000 from fire alarm account to fire operations to purchase generators, scene lights, power tools, body work. Alarm truck is 1977 which had its hydraulic system repaired two years ago

##### article 28

Transfer from ambulance receipts of \$7500 to Fire Dept expense account. To enable purchase of ambulance equipment: defibulator, battery charger, air bags not annual recurrence



Big E Consideration for Special Town Meeting

Review information received

Pumping quotes: \$46,263-Enos; \$50,400-Dumont (12 mos average);  
\$46,282-Scott; \$33,822-Hormon

Special Town meeting can only fund for 4 mos - March,  
April, May and June

Gallons per month per chart provided - 925,650

Article cost - \$37,000 (10% variable over low bid)

Discussion of Town meeting procedures

A. Smith moves to transfer from available funds \$37,000 for  
Big E purposes of pumping sewerage

J. Doherty seconds

A. Smith notes the Finance Committee will not be voting on  
a Town commitment support for future years and will have  
additional information regarding the grant prior to Town  
meeting.

B. Kimball notes that he feels that if a positive measure  
is made now, the Finance Committee need to follow through.  
Discussion of time table for Town sewerage

P. Helmreich notes the Water Commissioners notes that the  
grant if not favorable this year

B. Kimball notes that the Finance Committee has no idea of  
the amount of funds to be received

M. Brown feels that the Bank will not except the short term  
resolution therefore the Big E Association will be unable  
to obtain a mortgage prior to the Town Meeting

The Town of Norton is 0th on a list for F88 grants. There  
is a good chance of receiving funds by 1989

P. Helmreich notes that Knollwood residents did not receive  
assistance for sewerage problems before sewer lines were  
placed. He questions the use of public funds to assist private  
individuals.

The Park owner, Mr. Enos, has not asked for Town assistance.  
Mr. Enos has to pump and upkeep system until closing of Park  
which will be February 1989.

If the Town passes to help with sewerage pumping, Mr. Enos  
will be relieve of pumping system and upkeep

M. Brooks notes that the Bank and their attorney are now  
working on it. She requests that a condition that 'only  
the tennants can use the funds if they purchase Park'

B. Kimball questions alternatives

B. Kimball notes that if the Association returns for request  
at the ATM, he would like an agreement in writing

A. Smith notes the problem with the extra owner party, owned  
homes on another owner's land.

D. Ward moves to move the question

B. Kimball seconds

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A. Smith asks for Committee vote to agree to the \$37,000  
for the purpose of pumping sewerage only in the event that  
the Association of Tennants become the Park owners.

J. Doherty seconds

2-6-0

P. Helmreich notes meetings before and after STM.

The meeting was adjourned at approx 10:10 pm until 2:00 pm