

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

September 24, 1990

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

Present: M. Brown, J. Desrocher, K. Eagan, W. Gouveia,
M. Hackett, E. Hamilton, P. Helmreich, B. Kimball,
C. MacQuown, R. Nugent, D. Ward

P. Helmreich notes correspondence received.

Water Commissioner reviews figures provided.

Review information.

Review projects.

Discussion of bond and pay back schedule.

Discussion of capital improvements in next 5 years.

Review of average water rate and increases.

Unigun system was dropped from request.

D. Ward notes need for work on Reservoir, Cobb and Plain Streets. He also notes that many streets in the Grove have updated pipes.

STM

Funds to be used from Water Surplus account. Allowing funds to be set aside, \$260,000, in wait for the meter grant. Funds not to be expended until grant received.

ATM 8

B. Nugent moves to reconsider

K. Eagan seconds

Unanimous

B. Kimball moves \$1,351,387

D. Ward seconds

Review of projects included

In favor - Kimball, Ward, Hackett, Eagan, Nugent, Brown, Desrochers

Opposed - Gouveia, Hamilton, MacQuown

P. Helmreich notes warrant received.

B. Kimball requests article ATM #3 copies.

STM

#1

B. Nugent moves \$374,506.28 for article 1

K. Eagan seconds

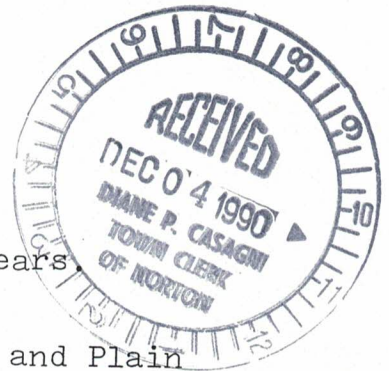
W. Gouveia notes error in funding entire amounts and common sense should tell Town's people to adjust the Town's style of living. He also notes that the School Committee did not specify reductions.

C. MacQuown notes his opposition to this article.

E. Hamilton notes funds that have been received are to be used. He notes costs of layoffs for this year, health insurance costs and unemployments costs.

P. Helmreich notes his support of the article. Review of previous reductions.

W. Gouveia notes if the Town's people vote for article 1, then they have to be ready for an override.



#2

P. Helmreich notes proposal by Town Manager and School Committee.

Discussion of need for contingency plan.

P. Helmreich notes reductions:

Inspection salaries-241-510	of \$9,534
Accounting salaries-133510	of 4,106
Assessor's off. salaries-141-511	of 3,657
Treasurer/Collector-147-511	of 12,241
Town Clerk off sal-161-511	of 4,106
Conservation salaries-171-510	of 4,106
Planning salaries-175-510	of 3,657
Board of Health sal-510-510	of 4,106
Veteran's Agent sal-543-510	of 6,906
Recreation sal-630-510	of 9,966
Recreation exp-630-570	of 5,034
Municipal Bldg sal-192-510	of 5,073
Rubbish Coll sal-433-510	of 15,708
Rubbish Coll Exp-433-570	of 30,000
Highway, repair private wys-420-581	of 2,500
Communication sal-295-510	of 7,000
Library sal-610-510	of 10,000
Fire Dept sal-220-510	of 22,000
Fire Dept OT -220-510	of 5,867
Call Firefighter-220-511	of 16,000
Police Dept OT-210-510	of 5,866
School Dept - 300-570	of 187,253

B. Nugent moves to authorize Chairman to amend above line items to make reductions needed if article 1 does not pass.

B. Kimball seconds

Unanimous

P. Helmreich will discuss with Moderator regarding reconsideration of article 9.

B. Nugent moves to recommend article 2

B. Kimball seconds

Opposed - Unanimous

#3

B. Nugent moves to reconsider

B. Kimball seconds

In favor - Kimball, Ward, Hamilton, Eagan, Nugent, Brown, MacQuown

Opposed - Gouveia, Hackett, Desrochers

P. Helmreich notes problem with not recommending.

B. Nugent notes that labor counsel states we must recommend.

W. Gouveia notes the department can find a way to absorb increase.

E. Hamilton notes legal costs of grievance.

B. Nugent moves to recommend \$310

K. Eagan seconds

In favor - Ward, Hamilton, Eagan, Nugent, Desrochers, Helmreich

Opposed - Kimball, Gouveia, Hackett, MacQuown, Brown

#5

P. Helmreich reviews cost of Medical Insurance. At present spending rate, the account will be \$12,000 short. Funds can be transferred at another STM also.

W. Gouveia moves to recommend \$12,000 transfer from available funds to Medical Insurance

C. MacQuown seconds

In favor - Gouveia, MacQuown, Eagan

Opposed - Kimball, Ward, Hamilton, Hackett, Nugent Brown, Desrochers

B. Kimball moves to not recommend article 5

Seconded

In favor - Desrocher, Brown, Nugent, Hackett, Hamilton, Ward, Kimball

Opposed - Gouveia, MacQuown, Eagan

#7

W. Gouveia moves to recommend article 7

B. Nugent seconds

Discussion

In favor - Brown, Hackett

Opposed - Kimball, Ward, Gouveia, Hamilton, Eagan, Nugent, MacQuown, Desrochers

#8

B. Nugent moves No Action

B. Kimball seconds

Unanimous

#9

B. Nugent moves to Table

K. Eagan seconds

Unanimous

#10

B. Nugent moves \$260,000 for purpose of providing an indication of the Town's commitment to metering, use contingent upon receipt of State grant.

B. Kimball seconds

Discussion

In favor - Kimball, Ward, Hamilton, Hackett, Eagan, Nugent, Brown, Desrochers

Opposed - Gouveia, MacQuown

#11

B. Nugent moves to recommend

D. Ward seconds

Unanimous

#12

B. Nugent moves No action

K. Eagan seconds

Unanimous

#13

B. Nugent moves No Action

K. Eagan seconds

Unanimous

P. Helmreich notes hearing on 9-26-90 with the Charter Bylaw Study Committee and recommendations that need to be made for Town Meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 10 pm until 9-26-90 at approximately 7:30 pm.