

# TOWN OF NORTON FINANCE COMMITTEE

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Minutes of the Meeting September 19, 1994

CALL TO ORDER: 7:35 p.m. by Jack Nicolas, Chair.

<u>Attendance</u>: Jack Nicolas, Chair, Mike Fiore, Vice-Chair, Jackie Desrochers, Tom Deluca, Michael Thomas, Bill Gouveia, and Paul Helmreich. <u>Absent</u>: Donna Summerfield, Tim Phelan, and Julia Sweet.

#### MINUTES

Deluca made a motion to approve the Minutes of June 27, 1994. Seconded by Fiore. Vote: 5 in favor and 1 abstention (Thomas).

Fiore made a motion to approve the Minutes of September 12, 1994. Seconded by Deluca. Vote: 5 in favor and 1 abstention (Nicolas).

# Miscellaneous

The Finance Committee has been invited to the Fire Department Open House on Sunday, October 2, 1994, 1:00 - 4:00 p.m.

The Association of Town Finance Committee's will be having a conference, any one interested can contact Jack.

The town's mileage reimbursement is .26¢ per mile as of July 1, 1994.

Compensation for the alternate Building Inspector will be \$14.53 per hour, for 26 hours/week, which is the same rate as the Building Inspector's salary.

#### OLD BUSINESS

#### Warrant Articles

Article 1 - Town Reports: everyone was urged to review the Town Report and be ready to discuss it at the next meeting.

Article 2 - Unpaid Bills: the legality of having salaries listed as unpaid bills was discussed.

Article 3 - FY95 Supplemental Operating Budget: Selectmen's salaries-longevity; Selectmen's expenses-for community expenses; Town Accountant salaries-longevity;

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Building Inspector salary-unsure of amount right now. Animal control expenses-cost to get rid of cats; Board of Health salaries-rabies work for and straight time for work (they may be upping the stipend). Southeast Regional Vocational School-based on the number of students going to the school.

Article 4 - Supplemental Operating Budget - Ambulance Account: there was some discussion as to the value of having a revolving account for the ambulance fund. Some felt this may not be such a good idea anymore. It is expected that in the spring 1995, a new ambulance will be purchased at a cost of appx. \$125,000. Walter Lindberg, Town Manager would like to stick to a lease purchase agreement for the equipment.

Article 5 - FY 1995 Supplemental Capital Budget: the Fire Chief will be invited to our next meeting in order to explain and defend the funding of capital items listed in this article.

Article 6 - Supplemental Budget - Water Surplus Account: total is at \$650,000.

Article 7 - Supplemental Budget - Water Surplus Account: addition of chemicals into the water.

Article 8 - Collective Bargaining: still pending

Article 8a - Collective Bargaining: about 11 employees, \$15,200 to settle this. (3% for FY93, retroactive for last year, 5% FY94, and 3% FY95.)

Article 13 - Cordials: this will be added to package stores.

Article 14 - Solid Waste: technical side to this, where will the initial money come from.

Article 15 - Industrial Development: this will grant the Selectmen the authority to do two things (1) an abatement process as incentive for moving into a certain area and (2) would give the Board of Selectmen a considerable amount of power to operate on the same level with every applicant.

## NEXT MEETING'S AGENDA

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 28, 1994, at 7:30 p.m. at the Selectmen's Meeting Room.

Gouveia made a motion to cancel the meetings on Wednesday, September 21, 1994, and Monday, September 26, 1994. Seconded by Deluca. Vote: unanimously in favor.

7:45 P.M. Industrial Development Commission

8:00 P.M. Fire Chief

Charter Review

# Monday, October 3, 1994

7:45 P.M. Solid Waste Advisory Committee

Meeting will be posted for October 3, 5, and 12, 1994.

Gouveia made a motion to send a thank you letter to the Board of Selectmen for the use of their meeting room tonight. Seconded by Deluca. Vote: unanimously in favor.

## ADJOURNMENT

Fiore made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Gouveia. Vote: unanimously in favor. Meeting adjourned at 8:49 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia C. Mello

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Recording Secretary