



## TOWN OF NORTON FINANCE COMMITTEE

Minutes of the Meeting  
April 10, 1995

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**CALL TO ORDER:** 7:34 p.m. by Chair, Jack Nicolas.

**Roll Call:** Jack Nicolas, Chair, Mike Fiore, Vice-Chair, Tim Phelan, Tom Deluca, Michael Thomas, Bill Gouveia, Paul Helmreich, Donna Summerfield, Jackie Desrochers, and Julia Sweet.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

**Joint Meeting of the Finance Committee and School Committee Public Hearing.**

The school committee presented an operating budget of \$11,195,613.00 (a 10.94% increase over FY95), a \$20,000 cafeteria budget, a \$56,328.00 athletic budget, and \$369,614 capital improvements request.

These requests reflect priorities within the system - class size, building maintenance, and computer technology. Elementary level class sizes are a major priority.

**1000 Series Administration-School Committee:** The school department is in the last year of their salary contracts. Next year they will be negotiating.

**2200 Series Principals' Offices:** There is \$10,000 included in the budget for a high school evaluation - this is for re-accreditation.

**2300 Series Teaching:** Includes 5 new teachers.

**2400 Series Textbooks:** Includes new social studies books for the 8th grade.

**2600 Series Audio Visual:** They would like to purchase software, supplies, and audio/visual equipment. All the software they are purchasing is in this budget.

**4000 Series Maintenance of Plant:** They would like to hire an additional custodial position.

4230 Series Maintenance of Equipment: Includes a School Facilities Study, replacement of 3 classrooms of furniture, and having a heater replaced at the Solmonese School. There is also \$22,000 budgeted for renovations of the boys locker room in the Middle School.

7000 Series Acquisition of Assests: \$152,614 is in the budget for computer technology- all student based.

The school committee sees this budget as a beginning. They would like more industrial arts programs and home economics in the schools. Class size is also a major issue. They are pleased that they are slowly building the staff again and replacing equipment.

### NEXT MEETING'S AGENDA

Wednesday, April 12, 1995

- Water/Sewer Department

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### ADJOURNMENT

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Fiore made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Deluca. Vote: unanimous. Meeting adjourned at 9:33 p.m.

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