

TOWN OF NORTON FINANCE COMMITTEE

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Minutes of the Meeting August 23, 1995 NORTON TOWN CLERK

CALL TO ORDER: 7:32 p.m. by Chair, Jack Nicolas.

Roll Call: Jack Nicolas, Chair; Michael Fiore, Vice-Chair; James Barrett, Tom Deluca, Paul Helmreich, Cornelius Linehan, Christine Meyer, Jonathan Rowe, Donna Summerfield, and Michael Thomas. Absent: Jackie Desrochers.

NEW BUSINESS

The committee received a letter from the town planner requesting funds for the purpose of hiring legal representation to defend the planning board in a land court case. The chairman did not favor this action. There was a short discussion with no action taken.

The town manager responded to the police chief's request to place an article on the warrant for an antenna for the 800Mhz radio system by requesting that numerous issues be resolved before the matter goes before Town Meeting.

The committee was copied on a petition to have a Land Acquisition article placed on the warrant for the fall Town Meeting.

Association of Town Finance Committees: Annual dues notice for July 1, 1995 - June 30, 1996 has been received for \$190.00. This is based on an estimated population of 15,070. Helmreich moved to appropriate \$190 for the Association of Town Finance Committees dues contingent upon confirmation of population numbers. Seconded by Deluca. Vote: unanimous.

Fiore moved that the hourly rate for the recording secretary be increased from \$7.50/hour to \$8.00/hour. This would be a 6.7% increase. Last year the secretary billed 165 hours to the finance committee for a total of \$1,235.13; the current expense account is \$6,400. Seconded by Deluca. This increase was discussed at length in regards to parody with other secretaries performing the same duties. Linehan amended the motion to \$8.21, seconded by Fiore. Vote on

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amendment: unanimously in favor. This became the main motion -- vote on main motion of \$8.21: unanimously in favor.

Nicolas thanked all the board members who helped and supported him during his reign as chairman. Nicolas opened nominations for Chairman. Deluca moved the name of Mike Fiore for chairman. Seconded by Helmreich. Deluca moved to close nominations, seconded by Helmreich. Vote on Fiore as chairman: unanimously in favor.

Fiore opened nominations for Vice-chair. Nicolas moved the name of Mike Thomas for vice-chair. Seconded by Summerfield. Nominations were closed. Vote on Thomas as vice-chair: unanimously in favor.

Fiore thanked Nicolas for the job he did last year. The chairman decided to vote on all recommendations during the season.

Helmreich made a motion to authorize the chairman and vice-chair to sign bills payable and payroll for the secretary. Seconded by Nicolas. Vote: unanimous.

MINUTES

Nicolas made a motion to approve the Minutes of July 10, 1995. Seconded by Helmreich. A correction will be made under Transfer Request/Fire Department - Rowe voted in favor of the transfer and Thomas was opposed. Vote with correction: unanimous.

ADJOURNMENT

Nicolas made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Deluca. Vote: unanimous. Meeting adjourned at 7:59 p.m.

Patricia C. Mello Recording Secretary

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