



TOWN OF NORTON FINANCE COMMITTEE

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Minutes of the Meeting
September 18, 1995

CALL TO ORDER: 7:30 p.m. by Chair, Michael Fiore.

Roll Call: Michael Fiore, Chair; Michael Thomas, Vice-Chair; Thomas Deluca, Paul Helmreich (7:42), Cornelius Linehan, Christine Meyer, Jack Nicolas (7:36), Jonathan Rowe (7:34), and Donna Summerfield. **Absent:** James Barrett and Jackie Desrochers.

MINUTES

Deluca made a motion to approve the Minutes of August 23, 1995. Seconded by Thomas. Vote: unanimous.

Deluca made a motion to approve the Minutes of September 11, 1995. Seconded by Thomas. Vote: 5 in favor and 1 abstention (Linehan).

NEW BUSINESS

Article 6 - Water Surplus Account Transfer - Well #6

Well #6 is functioning and they are going out to bid next month to complete the station. The water/sewer department would like to invest in an alarm system to monitor the pump station. The new alarm system would save the town \$2,500 each year. The alarm system will cost \$100,000.

Article 7 - Water Surplus Account Transfer - Construct Department Facility

The water/sewer department wants to construct their own building to house the new computer equipment and new offices. The money from the Surplus Account comes from developers--it is a savings account. The building would be approximately 40' x 50' with less than 2000 square feet of office space. It will be wheel chair accessible. They project that the building could be built by next spring.

Article 8 and 9 - Transfer Ownership of Land to Water Department

This land is actually owned by the school department. They would like to put a storage facility on this site. They will need the school department's approval before anything can be done. The cost of the facility is unknown at the moment and would not be built for another 1 1/2 years.

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Article 8 - Transfer from Water Surplus Account (Special Town Meeting Warrant)

This transfer of \$10,000 is for the purpose of delineating the Zone II for Well #1. This is something that has to be done.

Article 9 - Transfer from Water Surplus Account (Special Town Meeting Warrant)

This transfer of \$10,000 is for the purpose of conducting a town wide leak detection analysis. We have the capability to plug any leaks that may be found during the analysis. This should be done every 5 years.

Article 10 - Water Resource Protection District

This article's purpose is to accept a map that the water department has invested in. It will delineate where re-charge district Zone 2 & 3 actually lie. The water department has invested in this and the planning board has done a "housekeeping" by-law change to have this map referred to instead of the 1987 map.

Nicolas made a motion to have the selectmen look at a user fee for the \$50,000 alarm system for the sewer system (because only 1,000 households use the sewer). Seconded by Deluca. Vote: 7 in favor and 1 opposed (Thomas).

Article 5 - Replacement Capital Funds -- Voter Tabulation Equipment

Town Clerk, Diane Casagni gave a presentation stating her reasons for needing new voter tabulation equipment. Our current system is 11 years old and becoming obsolete and hard to repair. ACCU Vote is the name of the new system. Members of the committee discussed this purchase at length.

NEXT MEETING'S AGENDA

Wednesday, September 20, 1995

- Police/fire/communications
- Planning board

ADJOURNMENT

Nicolas made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Deluca. Vote: unanimous. Meeting adjourned at 9:41 p.m.

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