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**Finance Committee Minutes
January 22, 2007
Municipal Center - Selectmen's Meeting Room**

Call To Order

The Meeting was called to Order at 7:30 p.m.

Present: Tom DeLuca, Jackie Desrochers, Mike Fiore, Wayne Graf, Mike Thomas, and Philip Zawasky. Absent: Chair-Mr. Helmreich and Vice-Chair-Mr. Tarantino. Town Manager, Jim Purcell, was also present.

1. Approval of Minutes

MOTION was made by Mr. Fiore to Approve the October 11, 2006 Finance Committee Minutes as written. Second by Mr. Thomas. Vote: All In Favor except for Mr. Graf abstaining.

2. New Business

Mr. Purcell reviewed Special Town Meetings Articles (see attachment to these Minutes). All Articles were referenced/explained. The following is some discussion on some of the Articles discussed:

Article 6: FY07 Capital Improvements Budget Amendment

From public safety to change bands which is a subsidized cost. Penalty assessed to cell phone companies and grant Police Chief Finch initiated. Opportunity presents itself.

Article 7: FY07 Operating Budget Amendments:

Mr. Purcell said he would like to eventually bring in an I.T. person.

Article 8: Acceptance of Chapter 79 of the Acts of 2006 (Ch. 39, Sec 23D): If you are an adjudicatory board; if "one" meeting was missed member of board/committee can listen to audiotape or read record, etc. and member must attest.

Article 9. Slattery Property Leases: Is a very broad article (long term leases). Discussion ensued.

Article 10: Norton Middle School Wetland As-Built plans: relates to emergency access; need another egress and discussed options of Oak Street and West Main Street.

Article 11:- Norton Middle School Roof Design: Mr. Purcell said the Finance Committee heard from Dr. Ansay, School Superintendent regarding this. Earlier today she was concerned work would be limited to roof at Middle School from Article language. He spoke to Town Counsel and Counsel said Dr. Ansay was correct and Article will be getting amended with new version from Town Counsel shortly.

Mr. Thomas asked Mr. Purcell to have Dr. Ansay/School Committee come in before FinCom on January 29.

Mr. Purcell spoke of \$1.9M in free cash.

MOTION was made by Mr. Fiore to recommend Article 1, Unpaid Bills, in the amount of \$631.93. Second by Mr. DeLuca. Vote: Unanimous MOTION CARRIES.

MOTION was made by Mr. Fiore to recommend Article 2, Salary Plan. Second by Mr. DeLuca. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.

MOTION was made by Mr. Fiore to recommend Article 3, Chapter 90 Acceptance (\$152,807). Second by Mr. DeLuca. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.

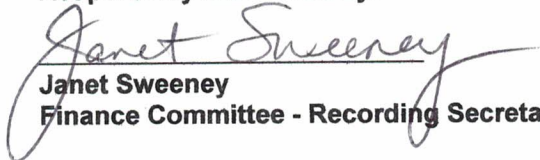
MOTION was made by Mr. Fiore to recommend Article 8, Acceptance of Chapter 79 of the Acts of 2006 (Ch. 39, Sec. 23D). Second by Mr. Mr. Zawasky. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.

MOTION was made by Mr. Fiore to recommend Article 9, Slattery Property Leases. Second by Mr. Zawasky. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.

Adjournment

MOTION was made by Mr. DeLuca to Adjourn at 8:20 p.m. Second by Mr. Fiore. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.

Respectfully Submitted by:


Janet Sweeney
Finance Committee - Recording Secretary