

TOWN OF NORTON FINANCE COMMITTEE

MAY 25 1995 NORTON TOWN CLERK

Minutes of the Meeting May 15, 1995

CALL TO ORDER: 7:31 p.m. by Vice-Chair, Mike Fiore. (Fiore chaired the whole meeting.)

Roll Call: Mike Fiore, Vice-Chair, Tim Phelan, Tom Deluca, Michael Thomas, and Jackie Desrochers.

NEW BUSINESS

Deluca moved to recommend <u>Article 14 - Landfill Deed Restriction</u>. Seconded by Phelan. This is another step toward getting the \$350,000 land fill grant money.

Donna Summerfield arrived at 7:34 p.m.

Vote on Article 14: unanimous (6 in favor).

Deluca moved to recommend Article 15 - Town Flag. Seconded by Phelan. Vote: unanimous.

Deluca moved to TABLE <u>Article 16 - Stabilization Fund</u> until May 22, 1995. Seconded by Phelan. Vote: unanimous.

Deluca moved to TABLE <u>Article 17 - Capital Improvements Fund</u> until May 22, 1995. Seconded by Phelan. Vote: unanimous.

Paul Helmreich and Julia Sweet arrived at 7:39 p.m.

Deluca moved to recommend <u>Article 18 - Job Titles</u>. Seconded by Phelan. This is a formality to add the Personal Computer Specialist to the job classification plan. Vote: unanimous.

Deluca moved to recommend <u>Article 19 - Salary Plan.</u> Seconded by Phelan. This is to add the Personal Computer Specialist position and to update the highway superintendent, town accountant, and water/sewer superintendent positions. Vote: unanimous.

Deluca moved to recommend <u>Article 20 - Home Rule Petition</u>: <u>Street Acceptance</u>. Seconded by Phelan. This is to streamline the procedure to get streets accepted in a more expedient manner. This must go to the legislature on both levels for passage before it can take affect. Vote: unanimous.

Helmreich moved to recommend <u>Article 21 - Hick's Fund.</u> Seconded by Phelan. This is not done every year. This Article was discussed at length. This is a private trust that the town really has nothing to do with. The selectmen are the trustees and are responsible for the funds. Helmreich moved to TABLE this article until May 22, 1995. Seconded by Deluca. Vote: unanimous.

Helmreich moved to TABLE <u>Article 22 - Hick's Fund</u> until May 22, 1995. Seconded by Deluca. Vote: unanimous.

Helmreich moved to TABLE <u>Article 24 - Zoning By-law Amendment</u> until May 17, 1995, when they can hear from the planning board. Seconded by Phelan. This has to do with lots that are pieshaped at the end of cul-de-sacs. Vote: unanimous.

Helmreich moved to TABLE <u>Article 25 - Zoning By-law Amendment</u> until May 17, 1995. Seconded by Phelan. This is a re-zoning article with the principal purpose of making legal the driveway behind the Mansfield Co-op Bank. Vote: unanimous.

Helmreich moved to recommend <u>Article 26 - Street Acceptance</u>. Seconded by Deluca. Vote: unanimous.

Helmreich moved to recommend <u>Article 27 - Street Acceptance</u>. Seconded by Deluca. Vote: unanimous.

Helmreich moved to recommend <u>Article 28 - Street Acceptance</u>. Seconded by Deluca. Vote: unanimous.

Helmreich moved to recommend <u>Article 29 - Street Acceptance</u>. Seconded by Deluca. Vote: unanimous.

Helmreich moved to recommend <u>Article 30 - Street Acceptance</u>. Seconded by Deluca. Vote: unanimous.

Helmreich moved to recommend <u>Article 31 - Street Acceptance</u>. Seconded by Deluca. Vote: unanimous.

Helmreich moved to recommend <u>Article 32 - Street Acceptance</u>. Seconded by Deluca. Vote: unanimous.

Helmreich moved to recommend <u>Article 33 - Cemetery Land</u>. Seconded by Deluca. The town manager handed out blueprints of the Flatley Company donation of land (4 acres) for the town to use as cemetery space. This land has proper drainage for this type of land use.

Jack Nicolas arrived at 8:45 p.m.

Vote: 7 in favor and 2 abstentions (Summerfield and Nicolas).

Special Town Meeting Warrant

Helmreich moved <u>Article 1 - Unpaid Bills</u> for \$392.00. Seconded by Deluca. This was amended to take the funds from the Stabilization Fund. Seconded by Phelan. Vote on amendment: unanimous.

Helmreich moved \$170,271 for Article 2 - FY 1995 Budget Transfers from the Stabilization Fund. Seconded by Phelan. Selectmen-Expense: this is an unpaid bill for services already rendered. Helmreich moved \$800 from the Stabilization Fund to Selectmen-Expense. Seconded by Deluca. Vote: unanimous.

Helmreich moved \$600 for telephone expenses, from Stabilization to <u>Town Manager-Expense</u> account. Seconded by Nicolas. Vote: unanimous.

Helmreich moved \$5,950 from Stabilization to <u>Town Accountant-Salaries</u>. Seconded by Nicolas. Nicolas suggested this be taken out of the FinCom Reserve account but this was not possible from a warrant article. Vote: unanimous.

Helmreich moved \$688 from Stabilization to <u>Municipal Audit-Expense</u>. Seconded by Nicolas. Vote: unanimous.

Helmreich moved \$15,000 from Stabilization to <u>Legal-Expense</u> account. Seconded by Phelan. These are expenses to other counsel on a complicated suit that Burns and Levinson had a conflict with. Vote: unanimous.

Helmreich moved \$5,000 from Stabilization Fund to <u>Data Processing-Expense</u> account. Seconded by Nicolas. Vote: unanimous.

Helmreich moved \$6,130 from Stabilization Fund to <u>Municipal Building-Expense</u>. Seconded by Nicolas. Vote: unanimous.

Helmreich moved \$38,000 from Stabilization to Police-Salaries. Vote: unanimous.

Helmreich moved \$5,000 from Stabilization to <u>Police-Expense</u> account. Seconded by Nicolas. Vote: 8 in favor and 1 abstention (Summerfield).

Helmreich moved \$52,000 from Short Term-Interest to <u>Fire-Salaries</u> account. Seconded by Nicolas. Vote: 8 in favor and 1 abstention (Phelan).

Helmreich moved \$640 from Stabilization Fund to County Ag-Expenses. Vote: unanimous.

Helmreich moved \$2,500 from Stabilization Fund to <u>Board of Health-Salaries</u>. Seconded by Nicolas. Vote: unanimous.

Helmreich moved \$4,790 from Health Insurance Fund to <u>Retirement-Expense</u>. Seconded by Nicolas. Vote: unanimous.

Helmreich moved \$26,773 from Health Insurance Fund to Medicare-Expense. Seconded by Nicolas. Vote: unanimous.

Helmreich moved \$6,400 from Stabilization to <u>Communications-Relocation</u>. Seconded by Deluca. There was discussion about this transfer then Helmreich moved to TABLE this until May 17, 1995. Seconded by Phelan. Vote: unanimous.

<u>Planning Board Request.</u> Nicolas made a motion to re-open Planning Board Account 175-570 Other Charges and Expenses. Seconded by Deluca. Vote: unanimous. Nicolas made a motion to recommend \$7,885 to account 175-570. Seconded by Deluca. The additional \$1,800 will fund a recording secretary to take the minutes of their meetings. Vote: unanimous.

<u>Inspection Department Request.</u> Helmreich moved to transfer \$500 from the FinCom Reserve Account to the Inspection Department/Purchase of Services Account. Seconded by Nicolas. Vote: unanimous.

ADJOURNMENT

Phelan made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Summerfield. Vote: unanimous. The meeting adjourned at 10:15 p.m.

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