



TOWN OF NORTON FINANCE COMMITTEE

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Minutes of the Meeting
September 11, 1995

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

Roll Call: Michael Fiore, Chair; Michael Thomas, Vice-Chair; James Barrett, Thomas Deluca, Jackie Desrochers (9:15 p.m.), Paul Helmreich, Christine Meyer, Jonathan Rowe, and Donna Summerfield (7:43 p.m.). **Absent:** Neil Linehan and Jack Nicolas. **Others Present:** Walter Lindberg, Town Manager.

NEW BUSINESS

Review of Warrant Articles for October Town Meeting

Articles 1 and 2 will have "no action" taken on them because they will be on the Special Town Meeting Warrant.

Articles 3 and 4 are key articles regarding the Stabilization and Capital Improvements Funds -- the town manager reviewed the actions taken at the June annual meeting.

Article 5 is for a replacement capital item - Voter Tabulation Equipment. The town clerk has made a request for this piece of equipment before but was put aside for higher priority items. This is not an open bid item, only a few companies manufacture this type of equipment.

Article 6 - 9 have to do with the Water/Sewer departments. The town manager suggested the FinCom invite the Water/Sewer Commissioners to come in and explain their requests.

Article 11 is a request from the police department for a "scalping" by-law. This could result in a fine of \$300.

Article 12 is a request from the board of selectmen for \$5,000 to cover the costs of printing, mailing, and binding a Community Needs Survey.

Article 13 is a generic article for the purpose of acquiring land for use as a park and recreational uses and other municipal and school uses.

Article 14 is from a petition specifically for the purpose of purchasing the Jackson Nursery property.

Special Town Meeting Warrant

The deadline to submit an article closed at 5:00 p.m. this afternoon so a draft of the warrant was not available. The town manager did review what was expected to appear on the Special Warrant.

Community Needs Survey

Board of Selectmen Chairman, Ron Almeida made a presentation to the committee hoping to rally support for funding of a Community Needs Survey. Summer intern John Antonucci did a great deal of work on the survey this summer. The survey will create a data base that can be analyzed in different ways. It will be a working tool for the selectmen. They worked with three other communities, bought text books to study up on it and used the MMA and other organizations to do a great job on this survey. This survey was discussed at length by all the committee members.

NEXT MEETING'S AGENDA

Monday, September 18, 1995

- Water/Sewer Commissioners
- Town Clerk

Wednesday, September 20, 1995

- Police/Communications/Fire Departments
- Planning Board

Monday, September 25, 1995

- Petitioners for land acquisition
- Petitioners for sewer (Winneconnet)

ADJOURNMENT

Deluca made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Summerfield. Vote: unanimous. Meeting adjourned at 9:24 p.m.

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