

**Minutes of the Finance Committee
February 16, 2005**

Attending: Todd Abbott, John Carter, Duane Fay, Cindy Moore

Not Attending: Dave Fedrizzi, Brenda Edgerly, Rebekah Higgin:

Also Attending: Bob Fay

The meeting was opened promptly at 7:00 by Todd Abbott. An updated warrant and spreadsheet was distributed to the members. Selectman, Bob Fay, addressed the committee regarding the warrant article concerning the Ossipee Lake boat launch. He identified some of the concerns about this committee's previous indication to provide zero funds instead of the \$9,000.00 requested. Mentioned were boating and safety issues and the maintenance of this area for Waterboro residents. An attendant is the only way these concerns can be addressed. Checking boats for milfoil is only a part of the responsibility for an attendant.

Neither invited department, Fire or EMA, were in attendance. These budgets were discussed first.

****NOTE**** Articles were numbered by the committee and may not remain in the same order.

Article 24--Fire Department Services, Lease payment of the Fire Engine 3 and 1, Hydrant rentals. Requested amount \$485,099.46. Previous year \$392,941.46

Following a motion and second, the Finance Committee recommends: the total Fire Department budget \$400,00.00. Vote-4-0-0

Article 25--\$120,000.00 from Rescue Billing for the lease purchase of an ambulance. Terms for a down payment of \$20,000.00 and the balance to be paid over a period of 6 years. This article shall appear for the next 2 years. Following a motion and second, the Finance Committee recommends \$0.00 be appropriated. Vote 4-0-0

Article 26-- Ross Corner fire Department request for \$5,398.38 and a repayment for a fire truck request of \$14,367.00. Motion to accept the article as written. Vote 4-0-0

Article 27-- Request from the EMA Department to approve \$4,595.00 (which included \$2,100.00 for a CERT/EMA trailer) Finance Committee recommends \$2,500.00 with no funds approved for the trailer as there was no supporting information for this item. Vote 4-0-0.

Article 28-- The Finance Committee feels strongly that all income should be applied to

the General Fund and that all Departments work within their yearly budget request. Therefore, their recommendation to approve the sale of recycled materials but to further recommend that the proceeds from the sale be applied to the General Fund. Vote 4-0-0.

Article 29-- Solid Waste Disposal and Maintenance of the Transfer Station Area and Capital Improvements for the Transfer Station in the amount of \$692,249.87. Finance Committee recommends that language be removed detailing the income sources. Specifically, "...estimated income \$100,000. from fees, \$27,000.00 from sticker sales \$27,000. from baled recyclables sold and \$34,000. from the Town of Hollis contract. The Committee further recommends \$188,000.00 from surplus and an additional \$504,250.00 from taxation. Vote 4-0-

Review of the Warrant :

Article 4-- Account balances to be carried forward for the following departments: Old Home Days, Parks and Rec fees received for 2005 programs, and Storage addition to the Town Office.

Recommendation: Ought to Pass Vote: 4-0-0

Article 5-- General Government in the amount of \$434,572.12

Recommendation: Ought to Pass Vote 4-0-0

Article 6-- Assessing Department in the amount of \$66,461.15

Recommendation: Ought to Pass Vote 4-0-0

Article 6-- Building Equipment and Maintenance of Street Lights, Fuel Oil, Traffic Lights Electricity and Plowing and Sanding of Municipal Parking Lots in the amount of \$186,263.00

Recommendation: Ought to Pass Vote 4-0-0

Article 8-- Unemployment Compensation, Social Security, Worker's Compensation and Insurances. Medicare, Retirement Plan and County Tax in the amount of \$486,789.00.

Recommendation: Ought to Pass Vote 4-0-0

Article 9-- Town Clerk in the amount of \$38,155.88

Recommendation: Ought to Pass Vote 4-0-0

Article 10-- Building Inspector, Plumbing Inspector, Code Enforcement Officer in the amount of \$25,000.00 + fees.

Recommendation: \$68,900.00 total with \$25,000.00 from taxation and the balance of \$43,900.00 from surplus. Further recommendation requesting that all fees collected to go to the General Fund. Ought to Pass Vote 4-0-0

Article 11-- Library in the amount of \$91,068.00 + fees and fine

Recommendation: \$90,000.00 with all fees and fines to be applied to the General Fund Ought to Pass Vote 4-0-0

Article 12: Waterboro Parks and Recreation Department in the amount of \$71,450.00 + fees

Recommendation: Ought to Pass Vote 4-0-0

Further recommendation that a line item be placed in the budget for the programming needs for the following year to eliminate the carry over

Article 13-- Planning Board in the amount of \$35,698.00 + fee

Recommendation: Ought to Pass from taxation Vote:4-0-0

Further recommends that all fees be applied to the General Fund

Article 14-- Town Planner in the amount of \$22,500.00

Recommendation: No decision. To discuss concerns with the Selectmen.

Article 15-- Zoning Board of Appeals in the amount of \$8,700.00.

Recommendation: \$3,000.00 from taxation Vote 4-0-0

Article 24-29 previous in these minutes

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| Article 30-- Recycling Committee- | \$2,100.00 |
| Cemeteries- | \$5,000.00 |
| Memorial Day- | \$2,000.00 |
| Old Home Days | \$21,441.00 |
| Taylor Frye Leavitt House | \$5,000.00 |
| Waterboro's share of Regional | |
| Public Access Facility | \$18,930.20 |
| Finance Committee | \$1,000.00 |
| Comprehensive Plan Comm. | \$1,000.00 |

Recommendation: Old Home Days \$20,000.00. No decision on other requests. Suggest that each request be its own article. Vote 4-0-0

Article 31-- Social Service Agencies total request: \$17,343.0

Recommendation: \$0.00 Vote 4-0-0

Article 32--Snow Plowing Contracts, Sanding seasonal roads, Cutting of Brush, Seal Coat and Tar, Roads and Bridges, Striping, E-911 signs, Crushing, Ditching, Plowing, Sanding and snow removal on the sidewalk located in the West Road up to Massabesic High School in the amount of \$559,400.00

Recommendation: no decision

Article 33, 35, 36-- Road improvements for Blueberry Road (\$12,000.00), Chadbourne Ridge Road (\$53,000.00), and Hamilton Road (\$78,000.00)

Recommendation: \$0.00 Vote 4-0-0

Article 34-- Star Hill Road in the amount of \$60,000.00

