



Minutes of the Meeting for < March 29th, 2012 > at the BPW Building, Arsene St., Fairhaven, MA

Members in attendance: Chairman- John Roderiques, Therese Szala, Kathi Carter, Scott Fernandes (in at 8:20), Ron Quintin, Sid Martin, Pat Elliott, Lisa Plante, and Ted Silva. Not present, Kim Hyland, Jennifer Bishop. This meeting was televised.

Meeting called to order by Chairman John Roderiques at 7:01 P.M. and announced that the proceeding was being televised and recorded by government access.

Minutes for prior meeting of 03/22/12 were reviewed. Motion to accept Sid/Ron unanimous Chair noted retirement board withdrew their articles.

Article 4-

Town accountant salary increase of \$3746 discussed. Terry expressed concern about \$1000 stipend. Dr. Bowcock present and explained increase request.

Chair passed out notice of meetings for April. Mr. Osuch passed out draft of special town meeting articles. Chair passed out final draft of FinCom letter for book.

Chair noted \$110000 left in reserve fund and suggested using fund to repair roof on EMA building rather than waiting for article to pass and work delayed. Motion to transfer \$3000 from reserve fund and rescind prior vote taken on the original article made by Terry/Ron. Vote unan 8-0

Mr. Osuch noted art 4 group insurance figure may need to increase.

Chairman asked Mr. Osuch and treasurer Mr. Nunes if any other monies were available. Mr. Nunes noted that \$203000 was located in the overlay account which had been released by assessors in September but overlooked. Mr. Osuch noted he disagreed with that statement. Long, long, long discussion. Chair called for recess at 7:45 pm back 7:50 p.m.

Review of special TM articles passed out this date and discussed below.

Art. 3 Legal expenses \$35000. Chair noted that if TM does not pass it is NOT a reserve fund transfer entitlement and will not be used. He stated "Reserve funds cannot be used to circumvent an article at town meeting." Mr. Osuch discussed several items causing increases in the legal expenses. Chair questioned if body should decide to transfer or leave as special TM article.

#5- Group insurance. Mr. Osuch explained issues this year and expects a need for about \$40000 with rate increase of 15% on 6/1/12

Art 6- Digester \$300000- Chair noted need BPW to explain this further

Mr. Osuch asked for special TM to be done by 4/12/12 (Scott in)

Chair noted \$148,400 requested for special articles.

Mr. Osuch explained there was \$107000 reserve fund left and \$203000 from overlay account.

A second recess 8:28 pm, back 8:31 pm. (assumed to be directly related to chair's "Big Gulp")

Chair noted procedures for budget should have selectmen's recommendations first

The following votes were taken regarding Article 4 of the annual town meeting. All votes were unanimous and made for the entire section unless otherwise noted.

Category	Requested FY 13	Recommended Adm	Recommended Fin Com	
		DRAFT	3/29/12	
3. TOWN ACCOUNTANT				
a. Salary	99,944.00	94,087.00	94,087.00	Ted/Lisa
d. Other Charges/Expenses	800.00	640.00	640.00	Ron/Sid
4. AUDIT EXPENSES	52,000.00		52,000.00	Scott/Sid
8. TOWN CLERK				
a. Salary - Town Clerk	51,167.00	51,167.00	51,167.00	Scott/Sid
b. Salary - Other	36,780.00	36,780.00	36,780.00	
c. Purchase of Services	5,881.00	5,254.00	5,254.00	
d. Supplies	2,738.00	2,738.00	2,738.00	
e. Other Charges/Expenses	1,042.00	720.00	720.00	
10. TOWN COLLECTOR				
a. Salary & Wages	164,939.00	164,939.00	164,939.00	Scott/Sid
b. Purchase of Services	30,000.00	27,900.00	27,900.00	
c. Supplies	7,650.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	
d. Other Charges/Expenses	2,672.00	2,672.00	2,672.00	
11. ASSESSORS				
a. Salary & Wages	146,036.00		146,036.00	Scott/Sid
b. Purchase of Services	22,000.00	22,000.00	22,000.00	
c. Supplies	3,200.00	3,200.00	3,200.00	
d. Other Charges/Expenses	3,180.00		2,900.00	
13. COUNCIL ON AGING				
a. Salary & Wages	132,557.00	132,557.00	132,557.00	Scott/Sid
b. Purchase of Services	11,044.00	9,944.00	9,944.00	
1. Utilities	13,900.00	13,900.00	13,900.00	
c. Supplies	2,598.00	2,400.00	2,400.00	
1. Gasoline	6,575.00	6,575.00	6,575.00	
d. Other Charges/Expenses	300.00	300.00	300.00	
16. PLANNING BOARD				
a. Salary & Wages	2,700.00	1,900.00	1,900.00	Scott/Sid
b. Purchase of Services	1,800.00	1,800.00	1,800.00	
c. Supplies	1,450.00	1,450.00	1,450.00	
d. Other Charges Expenses	710.00	710.00	710.00	
17. DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT				
a. Salary & Wages	97,423.00	97,423.00	97,423.00	Scott/Sid
b. Purchase of Services	11,500.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	
c. Supplies	1,025.00	1,025.00	1,025.00	
d. Other Charges/Expenses	1,760.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	
18. BOARD OF APPEALS				
a. Salary & Wages	2,100.00	1,600.00	1,600.00	Scott/Sid
b. Purchase of Services	3,400.00	3,400.00	3,400.00	
c. Supplies	170.00	170.00	170.00	
d. Other Charges/Expenses	100.00	100.00	100.00	
19 PERSONNEL BOARD				
a. Purchase of Services	0.00	0.00	0.00	Scott/Sid
b. Supplies	500.00	400.00	400.00	
c. Other Charges/Expenses	250.00	250.00	250.00	

20. LEGAL EXPENSE	130,000.00	130,000.00	130,000.00	Scott/Sid
22. CONSERVATION COMMISSION				
a. Salary & Wages	11,583.00		11,583.00	Scott/Sid
b. Purchase of Services	2,154.00		2,154.00	
c. Supplies	1,000.00		1,000.00	
d. Other charges/Expenses	350.00		350.00	
23. OFFICE OF TOURISM				
a. Salary & Wages	50,798.00		51,472.00	Scott/Sid (mot to resc prior and add 1%)
24. COMMISSION ON DISABILITY				
a. Purchase of Services	750.00	750.00	750.00	Scott/Sid
b. Supplies	200.00	200.00	200.00	
c. Other Charges/Expenses	500.00	500.00	500.00	
PUBLIC SAFETY				
25. POLICE DEPARTMENT				
a. Salary & Wages	2,691,364.00			
b. Purchase of Services	110,618.00			
1. Utilities	36,500.00	36,500.00	36,500.00	Scott/Sid
c. Supplies	62,000.00			
1. Gasoline	91,250.00	91,250.00	91,250.00	
d. Other Charges/Expenses	2,766.00		2,766.00	
e. Capital Outlay	67,650.00		67,650.00	
S/T	3,062,148.00			
26. FIRE DEPARTMENT				
a. Salary & Wages	1,734,363.00			
b. Purchase of Services	79,190.00		79,190.00	Scott/Sid
1. Utilities	5,800.00	5,800.00	5,800.00	
c. Supplies	48,184.00		48,184.00	
1. Gasoline	24,500.00	24,500.00	24,500.00	
d. Other Charges/Expenses	6,500.00			
27. FIRE ALARM MAINTENANCE				
a. Salary & Wages	12,088.00	12,088.00	12,088.00	Scott/Sid
b. Purchase of Services	4,190.00	4,190.00	4,190.00	
c. Supplies	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	
1. Gasoline	735.00	735.00	735.00	
d. Other Charges/Expenses	0.00	0.00	0.00	

Article 48- BPW radios- Terry noted cost was about \$330 per radio for EMA. Chair suggested leaving \$12700 as originally voted... may amend the figure.

Article 26- Sewer rehab- Motion to reconsider prior vote of recommend at TM and take new vote to recommend against adoption. Vote against adoption Scott/Sid unanimous

Chair noted that departments need to conserve fuel and the \$170000 reserve account may not be enough to get through year. Advised departments to address FinCom if having a potential problem.

Mr. Osuch advised that the current overlay figure is \$205,000.

Motion to adjourn 9:30 Terry/Scott unanimous