

Town Clerk

MINUTES  
OF THE  
JOINT MEETING OF THE  
FINANCE COMMITTEE,  
BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
AND  
SCHOOL COMMITTEE

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TOWN OF SANDWICH

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TUESDAY, APRIL 5, 2011  
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TOWN HALL MEETING ROOM  
130 MAIN STREET

Present: Bill Diederling, Paul Sylvia, Glenn Pare', Tom Hickey, Paul Kilty, Ellen Yaffe, Courtney Bridge and John Vibberts, Linda Bliss

Also Present: Town Manager George Dunham; Assistant Town Manager Doug Lapp; Selectmen Dana Barrette, Linell Grundman, John Kennan, Jim Pierce and Ralph Vitacco; Superintendent of Schools Dr. Mary Ellen Johnson; School Committee Chairman Sherry Marshall and members of the Committee; Community Preservation Committee Chairman Tim Cooney and members Steve Hayes, Jonathan Shaw, Barbara Shaner, David Sullivan, Rich Claytor, Don Dickenson, Lisa Bates and Paul Sylvia; Library Director Joanne Lamothe; Sue Vibberts; Frank Pannorfi; Mary Stanley and SCT (Sandwich Community TV).

ITEM #1  
CALL TO ORDER  
JOINT MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN, FINANCE COMMITTEE  
AND SCHOOL COMMITTEE  
PUBLIC HEARING ON THE FY'12 BUDGET

Chairman of the Board of Selectmen Dana Barrette called the joint meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Town Manager's Report-

Overview of total town budget of \$65.9 million noting that any figure related directly to the State is not a sure thing yet. So far we only have the Governor's budget...the State numbers could change quite a bit. April 14 the warrant will be approved and signed by the Board of Selectmen. We have lost over \$1.3 million dollars in State aid. Sending tuition has increased. Health insurance and retirement assessment cost increased. The Town's debt has gone down but we need to do windows etc. at the Oak Ridge and Forestdale schools as well as the HVAC system at the Library. Update on the MSBA funding for the Oak Ridge and Forestdale projects which is reimbursable at about 45%. We don't know if this funding program will be available again in the future. \$450,000 is the estimated cost of the Library HVAC system. Capital expenditure exclusion for one year and then it goes off the taxes. The 3% budget increase for Town employees is appreciated. We have the least amount of staff of any town on cape per capita. We have a level service budget. Offered a comparison of Sandwich to other towns on Cape Cod. Most cape towns have a lot of second homes that are not a drain on public safety etc. Principal Assessor Ed Childs calls this a 'warm water syndrome'. We have the highest number of students compared to other towns on cape.

School Committee/Superintendent of Schools-

Dr. Johnson gave an overview of the FY'12 School Dept. budget of \$29.2 million which represents a reduction of about \$1 million from the FY'11 Budget. This budget does preserve all of our programs. This is the first year the sports teams are funded. We have not added any additional student fees.

Mr. Diederling, referring to the handout from the School Dept., asked about the total reductions of 5 teachers...are there any additions? Dr. Johnson - yes, there are 3 additions...two literacy teachers for the high school and one ADA therapist. The ADA therapist will work with students K - 12 and that will avoid us contracting out these services.

**\*MOTION WAS MADE BY MS. GRUNDMAN TO GO INTO THE PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE FY 2012 BUDGET. SECONDED BY MR. KENNAN. VOTE - UNANIMOUS**



Comments from the public-

Mr. Carig inquired about Articles #3 and #13.

Mr. Barrette noted that this meeting is for the operating and capital budget.

It was noted that questions raised about the Community Preservation Act (CPA) articles can be asked of the Finance Committee and the Community Preservation Committee (CPC).

Mr. Carig had questions regarding the Police and Fire personnel budget. Mr. Dunham offered information to clarify.

Mr. Barrette noted that all municipal unions are all currently under valid contracts.

Mr. Johansen – congratulated the Town Manager and the Superintendent of Schools for presenting us with a balanced budget. Inquire about Article #3.

Brief discussion on Article #3 and Article #5.

**\*MOTION WAS MADE BY MS. GRUNDMAN TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING ON THE 2012 BUDGET. SECONDED BY MR. KENNAN. VOTE – UNANIMOUS**

Mr. Barrette suggested that, although the Board of Selectmen has until Thursday night, the Board vote the budget articles tonight.

**\*MOTION WAS MADE BY MS. GRUNDMAN TO ADD THE TWO APPROPRIATE BUDGET ARTICLES FOR 2012 TO THE MAY 2012 ANNUAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT. SECONDED BY MR. KENNAN. VOTE – UNANIMOUS\***

Dr. Johnson thanked Mr. Dunham and Mr. Lapp for their help on the ‘Green Repair Program’ for the repair of the roofs and both the Forestdale and Oak Ridge Schools and the replacement of the windows. Also thanked the Finance Committee and the Board of Selectmen for their support.

#### ITEM #2

#### BOARD OF SELECTMEN AND SCHOOL COMMITTEE ADJOURNMENT

7:45 p.m.

**\*MOTION TO ADJOURN THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN’S PART OF THE JOINT MEETING WAS MADE BY MS. GRUNDMAN. SECONDED BY MR. KENNAN. VOTE – UNANIMOUS**

7:45 p.m.

**\*MOTION WAS MADE BY MS. LINEHAN TO ADJOURN THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE’S PART OF THE JOINT MEETING. SECONDED BY MS. MARSHALL. VOTE – UNANIMOUS**

#### ITEM #3

#### SHORT RECESS

#### ITEM #4

#### REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes of March 29, 2011-

Mr. Kilty – page 4 about 2/3<sup>rd</sup> the way down...should read ‘we are supposed to decide...’instead of ‘we a supposed to decide’

Ms. Yaffe - Page 2 under Item #4 change FY’12 Bidget to Budget and on Page #5 under Item #7...the 3% commitment change form to from the town...

**\*MOTION WAS MADE BY MR. VIBBERTS TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF MARCH 29, 2011 AS AMENDED. SECONDED BY MR. KILTY. VOTE – UNANIMOUS**

#### ITEM #5

#### TOWN MANAGER’S REPORT

Budget Update –

Letter received from Standard and Pores regarding their bond rating. This the third time in about the last year and a half we’ve looked at trying to refund some of our bonds that are further out and there are restrictions on what we can do. This morning we did it because the rates looked good. The total saved is about \$375,000 the total bonds issue was about \$3,435,000. Can’t give a rate yet because there is a different rate for each of the twenty years. The bond advisors will be coming to the Selectmen’s meeting Thursday night to have them sign everything. Of the \$375,000 which was saved...approximately \$125,000 of the savings will go back to the school building authority where they

reimburse towns for certain projects. It doesn't add money to the bottom line, it just means that in future years when we have to come up with money for our debt we will be less than what it was before we refunded. Our rating from Standard and Pores stayed at AA.

Mr. Pare' congratulated Mr. Dunham and the people who worked with Mr. Dunham on this...saving the Town a quarter of a million dollars.

Other-

None.

#### ITEM #6

#### COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

Mr. Diederling asked to separate this into two discussions 1) general CPA information and 2) discussion on Community Preservation Article (CPA) activities.

Mr. Tim Cooney, Chairman of the Community Preservation Committee (CPC), and members Steve Hayes and Jonathan Shaw gave an overview. Mr. Cooney respectfully requested, with regard to the discussion from last week's meeting on the Old Harbor walkway, that this committee refrain from making comments as it did last week. The website for the CPA is [www.communitypreservation.org](http://www.communitypreservation.org) for additional information.

Mr. Diederling thanked Mr. Cooney for the lecture and noted that we are all entitled to express our opinions.

Mr. Dunham gave an overview of the Town of Sandwich – Estimated Community Preservation Act Calculations (4/5/2011) and Annual Project Approvals / Post Conversion From Cape Cod Land Bank to CPA (4/4/2011).

Mr. Pare' asked if there is any way the Mr. Dunham can tell us which CPA projects are still pending? Mr. Dunham noted - the Deacon Eldred House and the George Fernandez Way 40B project.

Mr. Pare' asked - if the project does not use the money would the money go back? Mr. Dunham – believes Town Meeting would have to vote to re-appropriate the money to the new owners.

#### ITEM #7

#### ATM WARRANT ARTICLES DISCUSSION AND VOTE

Mr. Dunham gave an overview and there was a discussion on the Annual Town Meeting Warrants.

Mr. Shaw, member of the Historical Commission, gave an overview summary of CPC approved projects that are on the warrant are: the restoration of stones in the old town cemetery; signage at the intersection of Rte 130 Exit 2. For general information Mr. Shaw read the Mission Statement of the Historical Commission.

Brief discussion - about a 'way finding' study that was done...it looked at how you find your way around town.

-Mr. Hayes spoke briefly about Article #19...affordable housing, Forestdale Village. The CPC did approve \$450,000 for this project.

Mr. Vibberts – is there a partnership in this project with the Sandwich Housing Authority or the Economic Development Initiative Corporation. Is there any connection or is this separate. Mr. Hayes – it is separate.

Mr. Cooney noted that there is a partnership with the Town and the LIP. Mr. Dunham mentioned that the LIP is offered by the state it is a Local Initiative Program (LIP). It is really conceptual support and not financial support. Mr. Dunham explained the LIP.

Mr. Vibberts – is there any element of this request that will end up costing the Town money in the future? Because there is a development with this project. Are there any increases to the town budget for snow and ice or mowing medians? I see additional costs that could be affiliated with it.

Mr. Cooney – there is not with this project. There is a commercial element associated with this particular development that makes it kind of unique within the community and the over fifty-five and veterans preference will help reduce any potential costs related to school development....but hesitates to paint that picture because the community isn't a community without the kids or the schools.

Mr. Vibberts – I am concerned that we are not able to take care of what we have. Do you see any ability to support this Forestdale Village project?

Mr. Cooney – the CPC is restricted about funding projects i.e. open space, housing, historic, etc.

Mr. Dunham noted that when a developer builds a project it is up to the developer to take care of any repairs or improvements, etc. There will be things like sidewalks that the developer will be responsible for and after that the owner is responsible. Wastewater needs will be addressed.

Mr. Hayes mentioned that there maybe additional costs on the tax base for roads, police and fire but these are also homes that will be paying taxes.

Mr. Vibberts – still has a problem with this as a conceptual piece. But we're not here to talk concept, we are here to discuss the finances of it. If I can be told that the roads will remain private in perpetuity and we don't have to

increase the number of police and fire to cover this area. I understand we may gain a tax in the commercial property. Do you know what the anticipated funding is going to deliver as an asset for tax revenue?

Mr. Diederling asked Mr. Vibberts – did you get an answer on your question about a business relationship with the SEIC? Mr. Vibberts – yes, the answer was ‘no’.

In answer to questions raised by Ms. Bliss, Mr. Dunham gave a brief explanation of the funding for the project and what the guarantees are if the project is not complete.

Mr. Hayes noted that the CPC makes recommendations to Town Meeting, Town Meeting votes the money for the articles.

Mr. Diederling asked where the project is with the permits. Mr. Dunham – they have received all the residential permits. The commercial part is before the Cape Cod Commission.

Mr. Diederling – do we know when this project is due to break ground? Mr. Hayes – I believe, sometime this year.

-Article #20 - Mr. Hayes gave a brief overview of the request for a sum of \$48,500 in support of the Housing Assistance Corporation (HAC) down payment and closing cost assistance program.

There was no further discussion.

-Article #21 - Mr. Hayes gave a brief overview of a request for a sum of \$49,999 for the purpose of supporting the actual construction of the Community Green project owned by HAC.

Mr. Diederling – is this building part of the original Community Preservation permit? Mr. Dunham – it is my understanding that the Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) approved a certain amount of work on the site.

Mr. Diederling – so this money will go toward building something that is already permitted.

In response to a question raised by Mr. Vibberts, Mr. Hayes noted that \$2.2 million for the project is coming from the State, some Federal and some actual mortgage financing...pretty complicated.

Mr. Vibberts what is the \$49,999 going to do and why is it \$49,999? Mr. Hayes – if it is over \$50,000 there is a deadline. If it is under \$50,000 there is a different deadline. They did not make the first deadline.

Mr. Vibberts – is this a property tax exempt project? No answer at this time.

Mr. Cooney – we want to show support for this project. This project has been around for a long time. It has been scaled down and reconsidered. We thought this would be gesture that would make a statement.

Mr. Kilty – What about Article #16...\$75,000 for CPC administrative costs...to pay Mr. DeConto \$50,000 and to support the CPA administration? It was noted that the CPA allows up to 5% to pay for appraisals etc. It is not used for projects. Mr. Dunham noted that the \$75,000 that is budget each year is 5% of the appropriation and the State portion. Many times we hired a person for this. Mr. DeConto gets \$10,000 and the rest does not always get spent.

Mr. Vibberts – if we have a \$450,000 debt exclusion for HVAC at the library, why was that not considered for CPA funding? Mr. Cooney – we did not receive an application for the library...that kind of a system does not fall into historical preservation.

Mr. Dunham – we did not fund it because we thought the public should try to fund the library. More concerned about having the CPA money available for land purchases.

Mr. Shaw – the CPA does not permit expenditures for maintenance. If you are doing a complete restoration and rehabilitation that is ok, but on something that is deferred as this town has so often done...it is not.

Mr. Kilty – who is responsible for the oversight of the CPC? Mr. Hayes – Town Meeting. All the membership is appointed by individual town committees. Town Meeting spends the money...the CPC can only make recommendations.

Mr. Diederling – as Mr. Dunham mentioned, the concept of saving money for the potential of a real important land purchase is important to me. What is the plan about holding back if something comes available? What is the strategy? Mr. Cooney – we have done several land purchases since we have changed from the Land Bank to the CPA. We are very conscious of this.

Mr. Diederling hopes the CPC will hold back to be sure that there is money available for the future for land purchases. Has there been any discussion about it. Mr. Hayes – yes, such as Forestdale Village. When we came onto the scene there was a lot of pent up projects such as the Shawme Pond Dam, the high school project and the Town Hall project was the crown jewel of the CPC. The Deacon Eldred House was also on the list. The demand is going down.

Mr. Vibberts – on land purchases...we are losing land on Cape Cod Bay. Is there any chance of using CPA funding for this?

Mr. Dunham noted that the bigger problem has a bigger number with lots of zeros. We could try to use some of the money for historic preservation. The permitting will take lot of years. The CPA could help with funding permits.

Mr. Vibberts – if we can latch on to CPA funding to help the sea walls that would be really good.

**\*MOTION WAS MADE BY MR. VIBBERTS TO RECOMMEND CPA ARTICLE #16 FOR ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS ONLY. SECONDED BY MR. KILTY.**

Discussion-

Mr. Cooney and Mr. Shaw updated the Committee on a letter received from the CPA Coalition to increase the funding for the CPC. It is promising. If it eventually passes, it is very promising and will give us more money.

**VOTE - UNANIMOUS**

**\*MOTION WAS MADE BY MR. KILTY TO RECOMMEND PASSAGE OF ARTICLE #17 AT TOWN MEETING. SECONDED BY MR. VIBBERTS.**

Discussion-

Mr. Kilty – the way I am going to vote on this article may be different from my personal opinion which will be voted at Town Meeting. As a member of the Finance Committee I vote as a member of the Finance Committee at to the affordability for the funding and its place at the moment.

Ms. Bliss – as a follow up on Mr. Kilty's statement...we make it clear to the tax payers we are recommending on affordability rather than the merits of the project.

Mr. Diederling – doesn't quite understand the concept of voting on something and separating personal opinions of the project. We all have an equal vote. No one can tell you what to base you vote on. I have pledged to you and the public that I will not vote to recommend that Town Meeting pass an article that I would vote against. Can we some how clarify that in the Finance Committee statement at Town Meeting.

Mr. Sylvia, representative to the CPC, noted that there are some applications that come to the CPC that I don't agree with personally but I think Town Meeting should have the chance to vote on it.

Mr. Diederling – I view the role of the Finance Committee as a good function to town government. A check and balance makes for good town government.

**VOTE - UNANIMOUS**

**\*MOTION WAS MADE BY MR. PARE' TO RECOMMEND ARTICLE #18 AT TOWN MEETING. SECONDED BY MR. KILTY.**

Discussion –

None.

**VOTE - UNANIMOUS**

**\*MOTION WAS MADE BY MS. YAFFE TO RECOMMEND PASSAGE OF ARTICLE #19. SECONDED BY MR. PARE'.**

Discussion-

Mr. Pare' noted that he is disturbed by this article. Not against affordable housing; however, would like to see funding for future projects such as beach erosion, etc.

**VOTE – MR. DIEDERLING AND MS. YAFFE – AYE; MR. KILTY, MR. VIBBERTS, MS. BLISS, MR. PARE', MS. BRIDGE AND MR. HICKEY – APPOSED; MR. SYLVIA – ABSTAINED**

**\*MOTION WAS MADE BY MS. BRIDGE TO RECOMMEND PASSAGE OF ARTICLE #20. SECONDED BY MR. VIBBERTS.**

Discussion - None.

**VOTE – MR. SYLVIA, MR. PARE', MS. YAFFE, MS. BLISS, MS. BRIDGE, MR. KILTY, MR. VIBBERTS AND MR. DIEDERLING – AYE. MR. HICKEY APPOSED.**

**\*MOTION WAS MADE BY MR. PARE' TO RECOMMEND ARTICLE #21. SECONDED BY MR. VIBBERTS.**

Discussion – None

**VOTE – UNANIMOUS**

Mr. Diederling as a closing statement...I don't think any one doesn't acknowledge the value of the CPA and the CPC in Sandwich...Thank you.

Ms. Joanne Lamothe, Library Director, speaking at Mr. Diederling's invitation and on behalf of the trustees, noted that they are aware of the Finance Committee's vote on Article #15 last week on the so-called South Sandwich Village Library project. The article will cost the Town zero. The grant was submitted in January at no cost to the Town. Ms. Lamothe gave a history of the project and the grant process. The article has no financial implications at this time. We would receive 60% of the grant money before the shovel even hits the ground. We have the land, we have the plan, we have the need and we have the opportunity to have State money to be returned to this community. All we are asking for is permission to send in the coupon for 50% off. We are not asking to redeem it.

Mr. Kilty – this article is not financial in matter...should we even make a recommendation?

Mr. Diederling – that is what we have to decide. Agrees with Mr. Kilty that if it is not a financial matter then there is no conversation. Thought last week that it is financial.

Mr. Pare' – in your opinion is it that the MBLC asks the town to get a vote if it is not a financial issue for the Town?

Ms. Lamothe – I think it is a way of showing support. To bring everything to the light of day.

Mr. Pare' - it is a conflicting issue for me. Hopes that the library realizes that the town has a huge number of expensive projects it is facing. We just don't have the money right now. It would be awful if we did not accept funding for the future. Doesn't know how to balance these two things. We cannot afford to accept a matching grant.

Mr. Diederling – we need to resolve that before we go ahead. Does anyone want to consider a vote that this article is or is not a financially related article.

**\*MOTION WAS MADE BY MR. PARE' THAT THIS ARTICLE IS FINANCIAL AND WE NEED TO RESOLVE IT ONE WAY OR THE OTHER. SECONDED BY MS. BRIDGE.**

Discussion-

Mr. Vibberts noted that he is also conflicted. We have been looking at budgets and meeting with department heads. We are not servicing our town the way we would have it done. Roads, Police and Fire and we ignore many other town departments. Next year we will have a \$1.5 million deficit. This is not a financial article now but it will be in the future.

Ms. Bliss – Once the grant is awarded then the library has to have a Special Town Meeting to get the matching funds.

Mr. Diederling – after this step, if the Town Meeting votes to apply for the grant...it does not commit the town to spending money directly. To make an appropriation, we would have to make a separate Town Meeting. I think it is implied that we are committed to the matching money but the match does require a separate vote.

Mr. Sylvia – has any staff been used or will be used to pursue this? If so, we have to vote on it because it is a financial article.

Mr. Kilty noted that the motion by Mr. Pare'...this is a financial article. Agrees with Mr. Vibberts and his comments. There does appear to be financial resources at stake. There are resources being spent even at this point.

Mr. Pare' – the article says...apply for, accept and expend state grants. Isn't that asking us to spend the money?

Mr. Dunham – The state requires very specific language.

It was agreed that this is a financial article.

**VOTE – UNANIMOUS**

**\*MOTION WAS MADE BY MS. BLISS TO RECOMMEND ARTICLE #15. SECONDED BY MR. PARE'.**

Discussion-

Ms. Yaffe noted that this is a two part question...accept the design and further to accept funding. Accept design...no problem. To expend the money...would have to vote against this.

Mr. Kilty – it is a very worthwhile project; however, agrees with Mr. Vibberts that with the Town is facing difficult times, fiscal constraints, capital needs that we cannot afford at this time,...we need a public safety building, etc. finds it very difficult and will not be voting for this.

Mr. Vibberts – will not be voting in the affirmative either. Needs more study for the future...staffing, wastewater, etc. It is not in the top five of his priority list.

Mr. Pare' – We have some serious issues here in town. We have to prioritize. Thinks it is a great project. Is conflicted because we don't have the ability to pay for this now. We don't know what the impact will be on the operating budget of the town.

**VOTE –NOT APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY**

Mr. Dunham gave an overview of Article #4 – Debt exclusion for School MSBA Oak Ridge & Forestdale School Roofs & Windows improvements.

**\*MOTION WAS MADE BY MR. SYLVIA TO RECOMMEND ARTICLE #4. SECONDED BY MS. BRIDGE.**

Discussion-

Mr. Pare' noted that, as he remembers it, he tried last week with several motions.

Mr. Dierderling asked Mr. Pare' to reinitiate his motion from last week.

**\*MR. PARE' MOVED TO RECOMMEND ARTICLE #4 WITH A CAP OF UP TO \$3.5 MILLION....**

Mr. Kilty noted that with a motion and a second on the table...I don't believe according to Robert's Rules of Order you can make another motion and second...the first motion and second must be withdrawn.

**\*MR. SYLVIA WITHDREW HIS MOTION AND MS. BRIDGE WITHDREW HER SECOND.**

**\*MOTION WAS MADE BY MR. PARE' TO RECOMMEND ARTICLE #4 WITH A CAP OF UP TO \$3.5 MILLION. SECONDED BY MS. BRIDGE.**

General discussion expressing concern about this article.

Mr. Dunham – If you are that concerned about the number, don't take a vote tonight. You can vote it just before Town Meeting.. Every time we have a town meeting a joint meeting is posted for the Selectmen and Finance Committee starting a 6:30 p.m. just before the Annual Town Meeting in the auditorium at the high school

**\*MOTION WAS MADE BY MR. KILTY TO RECOMMEND THE FINANCE COMMITTEE TABLE THIS DISCUSSION UNTIL WE HAVE FURTHER INFORMATION. SECONDED BY MR. VIBBERTS. VOTE –7 AYES, 2 NAYS... MOTION CARRIES**

Mr. Diederling noted that this will be brought up for a vote prior to Town Meeting.

Article #5 was voted at last week's meeting.

**\*MOTION WAS MADE BY MR. KILTY TO RECOMMEND PASSAGE OF ARTICLE #6 AT TOWN MEETING. SECONDED BY MR. VIBBERTS. VOTE – UNANIMOUS**

**\*MOTION WAS MADE BY MR. PARE' TO RECOMMEND PASSAGE OF ARTICLE #7 AT TOWN MEETING. SECONDED BY MR. VIBBERTS. VOTE – UNANIMOUS**

**\*MOTION WS MADE BY MR. VIBBERTS TO RECOMMEND PASSAGE OF ARTICLE #8. SECONDED BY MR. PARE'. VOTE – ALL IN FAVOR MS. BRIDGE ABSTAINING.**

**\*MOTION WS MADE BY MR. PARE' TO RECOMMEND PASSAGE OF ARTICLE #9. SECONDED BY MR. KILTY. VOTE – UNANIMOUS**

**\*MOTION WAS MADE BY MR. KILTY TO RECOMMEND PASSAGE OF ARTICLE #10. SECONDED BY MR. PARE'. VOTE – UNANIMOUS**

**\*MOTION WAS MADE BY MR. VIBBERTS TO RECOMMEND PASSAGE OF ARTICLE #11. SECONDED BY MR. KILTY. VOTE – UNANIMOUS**

**\*MOTION WAS MADE BY MS. YAFFE TO RECOMMEND PASSAGE OF ARTICLE #12. SECONDED BY MR. VIBBERTS. VOTE – UNANIMOUS**

**\*MOTION WAS MADE BY MR. SYLVIA TO RECOMMEND PASSAGE OF ARTICLE #13 (SOLID WASTE/PAYT PROGRAM). SECONDED BY MS. YAFFE. VOTE – UNANIMOUS**

**\*MOTION WAS MADE BY MR. PARE' TO RECOMMEND PASSAGE OF ARTICLE #25 (DRAINAGE EASEMENT). SECONDED BY MR. VIBBERTS. VOTE – UNANIMOUS**

**MOTION WAS MADE BY MS. BRIDGE TO RECOMMEND PASSAGE OF ARTICLE #23 (DEFERRED MAINTENANCE COSTS). SECONDED BY MR. KILTY. VOTE – UNANIMOUS.**

**\*MOTION WAS MADE BY MR. SYLVIA TO RECOMMEND PASSAGE OF ARTICLE #32 (TRANSFER TO THE NURSING DEPT.) SECONDED BY MS. BRIDGE. VOTE – UNANIMOUS**

**\*MOTION WAS MADE BY MR. KILTY TO RECOMMEND PASSAGE OF ARTICLE #27. SECONDED BY MS. YAFFE. VOTE – UNANIMOUS**

**ITEM #8**  
**OTHER**

Mr. Kilty – we have an ending budget balance of \$200,000. Any consideration for an amount to go to the Stabilization Fund?

Mr. Dunham suggested waiting until the fall to see what happens to the numbers. Yes, or even the Reserve Fund.

Mr. Vibberts – it should be somewhere we can get to it.

Date for next meeting to be determined.

Mr. Pare' noted that we are still waiting for the Superintendent to give us some information about the FTE's.

Mr. Diederling will follow up on that with Dr. Johnson.

ITEM #9  
ADJOURNMENT

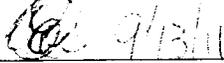
10:20 p.m.

**\*MOTION TO ADJOURN WAS MADE BY MR. KILTY. SECONDED BY MR. PARE' VOTE - UNANIMOUS.**

Respectfully Submitted,



Diane M. Hanelt  
Secretary

Approved: 

Supporting Documents:

- Overview For FY'12 Budget Hearing – 4/5/11
- Projected Revenues and Expenses – FY'12 (GHD Draft 4/4/2011)
- Sources of Revenue – Where each dollar comes from – graph
- Where each dollar goes – graph
- Review of Prior Presentations – Expenses / graph
- Capital Budget Summary (Final 4/4/2011)
- FY'12 Budget Totals (GHD Draft 4/4/2011)
- FY'12 Recommended General Government Budget (GHD Draft 4/4/2011)
- Standard & Poor's letter dated March 25, 2011
- Projected Revenues and Expenses – FY'12 (GHD Draft 4/5/2011)
- 2011 Summary of CPC Approved Projects
- Town of Sandwich-Estimated Comm. Preservation Act Calculations (4/5/2011)
- Town Meeting Warrant – May 2, 2011
- School Budget presentation information (4/5/2011)