

MINUTES

SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING #12-94

MAY 31, 1994 - 7:30 P.M.

	<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>	<u>Excused</u>
<u>Chairperson's Call to Order</u>			
Elizabeth Ruff Durham Road	X		
Randall Bennett Park Street	X		
Edward Bradley Flying Point Road	X		
Ken Mann Mann Road	X		
Gloria DeGrandpre Wolf Neck Road	X		
Edward Campbell Gay Drive	X		
Roger Wold Staples Point Road	X		

FIRST ORDER OF BUSINESS: To waive the reading of the Minutes of Meeting #11-94 held on May 24, 1994 and accept the minutes as printed.

MOVED AND SECONDED: To amend the minutes of Meeting #11-94, held on May 24, 1994 to add "Town Attorney" to the motion on page 9, Item 3, and accept the minutes as amended. (Councilors Bennett & Campbell) (7 Ayes) (0 Nays)

SECOND ORDER OF BUSINESS: To take action on the following items of business as read by the Council Chairperson.

ITEM #90-94 TO CONSIDER ACTION RELATIVE TO THE ADOPTION OF MUNICIPAL AND SCHOOL BUDGETS FOR FISCAL YEAR 1995. (PUBLIC HEARING)

MOVED AND SECONDED: That the proposed Municipal and School Budgets for fiscal year 1995 be subject to Public Hearing. (Councilors Bradley & Campbell) (7 Ayes) (0 Nays)

Chairperson Ruff requested public comments at this time. She stated that the Council had two more workshops scheduled, June 1 and June 2, 1994, at which time the Council would review all the information received and make any proposed changes and bring these back to the public at the next regular meeting on June 7, 1994.

1. Carol Hudson, Chairperson School Committee, presented a brief overview of the School budget:

She stated that the School Committee had developed system-wide goals by which to guide the system in the direction of making improvements or changes to curriculum, etc. The two goals are literacy and communication.

She stated that the budget of \$8.5 million reflects a 7% increase, due to increases in enrollment, salaries and benefits, and State mandated special education costs.

2. Manager Olmstead provided a synopsis of the Municipal Budget. He stated that it contains two parts - the maintenance budget which estimates the costs of maintaining existing services, and the options portion, which represents what department heads, citizen groups, boards and committees would like to see added.

He stated that the Municipal budget is increased by an estimated 7%. One of the major items is the need to fund tipping fees for demolition waste; this adds nearly \$100,000 to the budget. He proposes that the Council adopt a user fee to cover the cost of tipping fees.

Manager Olmstead stated that he feels Freeport is in a very favorable position this year, in that Freeport falls in the bottom third of the Towns in Cumberland County comparing tax rates.

3. John Diorio, Pastor, First Parish Church, addressed the space needs assessment for the community; he urged support for this as he feels there is a need for a place for people of the community to meet.

4. Barbara Jacks, Bartol Island Road, supported the need for leadership to pursue the space needs for the community.

5. Bruce Libby raised concerns on the Revised Municipal Budget Options under Fire/Rescue - secretary, day coverage, billing clerk and oxygen bottle replacement. It was his feeling that an estimated \$40,727 could be saved.

6. John Forrest, 96 Bow Street, raised miscellaneous concerns.

7. Laura George, Parent Team Leader for Middle School, requested support of the school budget.

MOVED AND SECONDED: THAT THE PUBLIC HEARING BE CLOSED. (Councilors Wold & Campbell) (7 Ayes) (0 Nays)

MOVED AND SECONDED: THAT THE PROPOSED MUNICIPAL AND SCHOOL BUDGETS BE TABLED UNTIL JUNE 7, 1994. (Councilors Campbell & Wold) (7 Ayes) (0 Nays)

MOVED & SECONDED: To adjourn the meeting at 8:10 P.M. (Councilors Wold & Bennett) (7 Ayes) (0 Nays)

Respectfully submitted,

Pat Goodwin, Recording Secretary

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COUNCIL CHAMBERS

MAY 31, 1994 - 7:30 PM

SPECIAL NOTE: This Agenda is a working Agenda that includes background information and is for distribution to Council members only.

FROM: DALE C. OLMSTEAD, JR.

TO: Elizabeth Ruff, Chairperson, Durham Road
Randall Bennett, Vice-Chair, Park Street
Edward Bradley, Flying Point Road
Roger Wold, Staples Point Road
Gloria DeGrandpre, Wolf Neck Road
Kenneth Mann, Mann Road
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MOTION: THAT THE PUBLIC HEARING BE CLOSED.

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END OF AGENDA

