

NORFOLK RECORDS
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING FEBRUARY 10, 2003

Pursuant to a warrant dated January 15, 2003, signed by Joyce Terrio and John McFeeley, Selectmen of Norfolk, the inhabitants of Norfolk qualified to vote in elections and town affairs met in the King Philip Senior High School, 210 Franklin Street, Wrentham, MA on Monday, February 10, 2003 at 7:30 in the evening there and then to act on the following articles. The meeting was called to order at 7:30PM by Moderator Frank Gross. A motion was made by Joyce Terrio and seconded by Marie Chiofolo to adjourn until Tuesday, February 11, 2003 at 7:30PM. The motion carried.

February 11, 2003

The meeting was called to order by Moderator Frank Gross who introduced the Town Clerk, Assistant Town Clerk, Town Administrator, members of the Board of Selectmen, Town Counsel and the Advisory Board Chairman, who introduced the members of the Board. There were 200 registered voters in attendance.

The National Anthem was played by Natalie Moeckel (piano) and George Clinton (trumpet).

ARTICLE 1

The Advisory Board recommended and the Town voted to Indefinitely Postpone Article 1. Motion carried.
(reduce funding under Articles 2 and 3 (Operating Budget) of the Annual Town Meeting, May, 2002).

ARTICLE 2

The Advisory Board recommended and the Town voted to Indefinitely Postpone Article 2. Motion carried.
(transfer to Stabilization Fund)

ARTICLE 3

The Advisory Board recommended and the Town voted to Indefinitely Postpone Article 3. Motion carried.
(transfer funds from Town Departments to Retirement Account for increased assessment from Norfolk County Retirement)

ARTICLE 4

The Advisory Board recommended and the Town voted to Indefinitely Postpone Article 4. Motion carried.
(transfer funds from Water Department to Retirement Account for increased assessment from Norfolk County Retirement)

ARTICLE 5

The Advisory Board recommended and the Town voted unanimously to transfer \$56,000.00 from Free Cash to Acct. # 33.5930.8801, Municipal Building Account, for the final settlement of the litigation involving the Town and Mello Construction Company.

ARTICLE 6

The Advisory Board recommended and the Town voted to Indefinitely Postpone Article 6.

(transfer \$46,000.00 to Highway Department Roads Program to restore funds deleted from FY2003 budget)

Ms. Donna Angelico made a motion to reconsider Article 1. The motion was seconded, but defeated on a voice vote.

ARTICLE 7

The Advisory Board recommended and the Town voted to transfer \$20,000.00 from Free Cash and \$15,735.00 from Workmen's Compensation Trust Fund to the Building and Liability Insurance Account.

ARTICLE 8

The Advisory Board recommended and the Town voted to transfer \$2,797.00 from Free Cash to defray the costs associated with this Town Meeting, to be used as follows:

- \$ 590.00 to Acct. # 01.5163.1100 Voter Registration Salaries (Town Clerk)
- \$ 475.00 to Acct. # 01.5122.4201 Printing & Advertising Expense (Board of Selectman)
- \$ 399.00 to Acct. # 01.5122.4225 Postage Expense (Board of Selectmen)
- \$1,333.00 to Acct. # 01.5131.4010 Advisory Board Expense

ARTICLE 9

The Advisory Board moved and seconded to Indefinitely Postpone Article 9.

Mr. McFeeley made a motion to amend the main motion by substituting a new motion, which was seconded, to transfer \$4,970.00 from Free Cash to compensate the Tax Title Custodian for preparation and management of the Foreclosed Properties Auction on May 15, 2002; said funds to represent 1% of the proceeds of the auction.

The Town voted in favor of the amendment and the new main motion carried.

ARTICLE 10

The Advisory Board recommended and the Town voted to transfer \$308,000.00 from Water Department Retained Earnings to the Water Department FY2003 operating budget, as follows:

- \$ 60,000.00 Water Department Salaries
- \$ 128,000.00 Water Dept. Expense – Video Cameras for Water Facility security
- \$ 55,000.00 Water Dept. Expense – new Environmental Assistant
- \$ 25,000.00 Water Dept. Expense – water system vulnerability assessment study
- \$ 30,000.00 Water Dept. Expense – upgrade Highway Garage
- \$ 10,000.00 Water Dept. Expense – Engineering expense, upgrade water main (Old Populatic)

ARTICLE 11

The Advisory Board recommended and the Town voted to transfer \$ 1,633.00 from Free Cash to the Highway Department, Transfer Station Accounts, to reimburse the department for the cost of demolition of the shed adjacent to the former Town Hall, as follows:

 \$ 567.00 to Acct. # 01.5431.1100 Transfer Station Salaries
 \$ 1,066.00 to Acct. # 01.5431.4222 Trash Removal Fees

ARTICLE 12

The Advisory Board recommended, moved and seconded that the Town vote to rescind the action taken under Article 28 at the Town Meeting in March 1967 and Article 18 at the Town Meeting in April 1967 and instruct the Town Director of Finance to treat all receipts for ambulance services on and after July 1, 2003 as Local Receipts rather than as Receipts Reserved for Specific Appropriation. The motion was defeated.

ARTICLE 13

The Advisory Board recommended and the Town voted to Indefinitely Postpone Article 13.

(Personnel Bylaw change regarding FY2004 and subsequent years step increases)

ARTICLE 14

The Advisory Board recommended, moved and seconded to Indefinitely Postpone Article 14.

Mr. McFeeley made a motion to amend the main motion by substituting a new motion, which was seconded, to approve submission of a Special Act to the Massachusetts General Court to consolidate the Water Department and Highway Department into a Department of Public Works.

The motion to amend was defeated.

The Town voted in favor of the main motion to Indefinitely Postpone.

All articles on the Warrant having been acted upon, it was moved, seconded and voted to dissolve this meeting at 10:30PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Gail E. Bernardo
Assistant Town Clerk