

Present: Morris Klein, Lewis Major, Michael Carrier, Joe Conroy, John Hartnett, Michael Darcy, Bruce Bellville, Tina McCosker, JamesMacDonell, and PeterZavorotny. Excused Dorianne Almann

Mr. Zavorotny called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm. Also present were the Selectmen and Mr. Podlenski (The Highway Superintendent) the Select board and the Superintendent discussed the idea of leasing a front end loader and the condition of the present loader. Mr. Podlenski said the loader was beginning to show its age and was concerned that it needed to be replaced. Discussion then went to the backhoe; Mr. Podlenski deferred all questions to Mr. Nadeau, the Superintendent of the Water Dept. who was not present. Article 7 was then tabled. The selectmen then talked with Jay Matuszewski, (The Fire Chief) about the condition of the Pumper Truck that needs repair and the costs involved, after a lengthy discussion the select board reduced the request to \$40,000 on Articles 8 & 9. There was also a discussion on Article 15. Article 16 was withdrawn.

At this time Mr. Zavorotny asked the budget committee to consider the articles. Mr. Hartnett suggested that we needed some more information; He thought that we should figure out the bottom line before approaching the warrant articles and also to approach the school board about the possibility of reducing their budget so that we could make sound decisions with all the information on the table.

Mr. Bellville questioned whether there was a request for one or two cruisers. That was clarified by the selectmen. They have two articles, one for two cruisers and one for one cruiser. They are concerned the article for two will fail and they wanted a fall back option.

Mr. Major made a motion to entertain the money articles on the warrant and to tentatively vote on each one. Mr. Carrier seconded the motion and the motion carried.

At that time we began to vote on the Articles as they appeared on the Warrant.

Article 2 (Monument Road Project \$1,416,687) Lewis Major made a motion to recommend the article. It was seconded by Mr. Mac Donnell. The motion carried. (6 Yes 4 No).

Article 3(Town Budget \$3,497,252) James Mac Donnell made a motion to recommend the article. It was seconded by Michael Carrier. The motion carried (9 Yes 1 Abstention).

Article 6 (COPS grant) James Mac Donnell made a motion to recommend the article; It was seconded by Joe Conroy. The motion carried (8 Yes 1 Abstention).

Article 7 Backhoe Loader Tabled

Article 8 (Pumper Repair \$40,000) Joe Conroy made a motion to recommend the article. It was seconded by Michael Carrier. The motion carried (9 Yes 0 No).

Article 9 (Fire Apparatus \$40,000) Joe Conroy made a motion to recommend the motion. It was seconded by Bruce Bellville. The motion carried (9 Yes 0 No).

Article 10 (2 Police Cruisers \$31,748) James MacDonnell made the motion to recommend this article. It was seconded by Lewis Major. The motion failed (4 Yes 5 No).

Article 12 (Monument Road Fund \$50,000) James MacDonnell made the motion to recommend this article .It was seconded by Joe Conroy. The motion carried (9 Yes 0 No).

Article 13 (Single Police Cruiser \$13,584) Michael Carrier made the motion to recommend the article. It was seconded by Joe Conroy. The motion carried (9 Yes 0 No).

Article 14 (Tennis courts \$18,000) James Mac Donnell made the motion not to recommend. Joe Conroy seconded the motion. The motion carried (6 Yes 3 No).

Article 15 (Fire Dept. Breathing Apparatus \$16,000) James Mac Donnell made the motion to recommend the article. It was seconded by Lewis Major. The motion carried (9 Yes 0 No).

Article 16 Selectmen pulled this article.

Article 17 (Repay the COPS grant \$10,950) James MacDonnell made the motion to recommend this article. It was seconded by Joe Conroy. The motion carried (8 Yes 0 No).

Article 18 (Community Center Building Fund \$5,000) Joe Conroy made the motion to recommend this article. The motion carried (9Yes 0 No).

A motion to adjourn at 8:25 pm by Joe Conroy and was seconded by Lewis Major. The motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted

John Hartnett  
Secretary Pro Tem