

**Finance and Advisory Board Meeting
Minutes of the Finance & Advisory Board
Town of Georgetown
April 3, 2008**

Location – 2nd floor Meeting Room – Town Hall

Members in Attendance – Sandy Gerraughty – Chair, ~~Jon Ayres – Vice Chair~~, Robin O'Malley – secretary, ~~Mark Hall~~, Jim Lacey, Jack L'Hommedieu, Tim Ruh, David Surface, Reggie Tardif

Guests: Lonnie Brennan (selectmen), Patty Durkee (Cultural Council)

Minutes taken by Robin O'Malley

Meeting called to Order at 7:06 PM by Sandy Gerraughty

Budget: A few adjustments were made to the 2nd pass budget of 4/1/08.

- ◆ Assessors salaries were increased by \$1,224 and the assessor expenses were decreased by \$1,224.
- ◆ Public Works and Facilities:
 - highway wages were increased by \$14,233
 - highway operating expense was reduced by \$1,025
 - road maint. & repairs was reduced by \$6,635
 - const. & maint. drain expense was reduced by \$6,242
 - tree warden expense was reduced by \$331
 - no change in the total for public works and facilities of \$692,354
- ◆ No change was made to the library
- ◆ Town clerk will need to be adjusted in the fall for \$7,400 for election expenses

Jim Lacey made a motion to accept the final budget as amended on 4/03/08.

Reg Tardif seconded. Vote: 7-0 in favor

Warrant Discussions:

Article 1 (ATM08-001): Jim Lacey made a motion to recommend approval of article 1, reference ATM08-001, Annual Town Election. Reg Tardif seconded. **Vote 7-0 in favor.**

Article 3 (ATM08-003): Budget, 8-0

Stabilization Fund: Voted on 4/1/08, to transfer \$50,000 into reserve fund, vote 6-2

Article 4 (ATM08-004): will be passing over.

Article 5 (ATM08-005): will vote on before town meeting.

Articles 6 through 12 (ATM08-006 through ATM08-012), also known as the Consent Calendar: Jim Lacey made a motion to recommend approval of articles 6 through 12, reference ATM08-006, ATM08-007, ATM08-008, ATM08-009, ATM08-010, ATM08-011 and ATM08-012, also known as the consent calendar. Reg Tardif seconded. **Vote 7-0 in favor.**

Article 13 (ATM08-039): voted on 4/1/08, 7-1 in favor.

Article 14 (ATM08-040): Jack L'Hommedieu made a motion to reconsider the vote on article 14, ATM08-040, Heavy Duty Copiers. Jim Lacey seconded. Vote 6-1 Tim Ruh against.

Jim Lacey made a motion to recommend approval of article 14, reference ATM08-040, Heavy Duty Copiers for \$43,000. David Surface seconded. **Vote 6-1 in favor**, Jack L'Hommedieu against.

Article 15 (ATM08-041): voted on 4/1/08, 7-1 in favor.

Article 16 (ATM08-042): voted on 4/1/08, 7-1 in favor.

Article 17 (ATM08-017): Jim Lacey made a motion to recommend approval of article 17, reference ATM08-017, Public Safety Roof Replacement, for \$125,000. Reg Tardif seconded. **Vote 5-2 in favor**, Jack L'Hommedieu and Jim Lacey against.

Article 18 (ATM08-019): Jim Lacey made a motion to recommend approval of article 18, reference ATM08-019, Old Highway Garage Roof Replacement, for \$50,000. Reg Tardif seconded. **Vote 7-0 in favor.**

Article 19 (ATM08-016): voted on 4/1/08, 5-2-1 in favor.

Article 20 (ATM08-033): Jim Lacey made a motion to recommend to the Board of Selectmen to put article 20, reference ATM08-033, Energy Conservation Improvements on the ballot for \$209,000. Reg Tardif seconded. Vote 3-4 against, Jim Lacey, Robin O'Malley, Sandy Gerraughty and Tim Ruh against.

Article 21 (ATM08-018): Jim Lacey made a motion to recommend approval of article 21, reference ATM08-018, lease of brush machine to be funded through the road machinery fund. Reg Tardif seconded. **Vote 7-0 in favor.**

Article 22 (ATM08-027): David Surface made a motion to recommend approval of article 22, reference ATM08-027, ladder truck payment, for \$77,000 to be funded from the stabilization fund. Jim Lacey seconded. **Vote 6-1 in favor**, Reg Tardif against.

Article 23 (ATM08-024): Jim Lacey made a motion to recommend approval of article 23, reference ATM08-024, Union Cemetery maintenance, for \$10,000 to be funded from the stabilization fund. Reg Tardif seconded. **Vote 6-1 in favor**, Robin O'Malley against.

Article 24 (ATM08-013): Patty Durkee explained that the summer concert series costs about \$10,000 to \$13,000 each year to put on. There is no backer for the series and came to ask the town to give \$875 to the series for this summer. This will pay for one band.

Jim Lacey made a motion to recommend approval of article ATM08-013, Cultural Council, for \$875 from free cash. Reg Tardif seconded. **Vote 7-0 in favor.**

Article 25 (ATM08-028): Jim Lacey made a motion to recommend approval of article 25, reference ATM08-028, Establishment of Capital Fund. Reg Tardif seconded. **Vote 0-7 against.**

Article 26 (ATM08-031): will ask Phil Cannon and Conservation Commission to attend our April 16, 2008 meeting to discuss.

Article 27 (ATM08-032): we believe it is being passed over, we are not voting.

Article 28 (ATM08-020): Jim Lacey made a motion to recommend approval of article 28, reference ATM08-020, Community Preservation Committee, A: general budget. Reg Tardif seconded. **Vote 7-0 in favor.**

Article 28 (ATM08-020): Jim Lacey made a motion to recommend approval of article 28, reference ATM08-020, Community Preservation Committee, B: historic preservation of the Brocklebank Museum for \$47,000. Reg Tardif seconded. **Vote 7-0 in favor.**

Article 28 (ATM08-020): Jim Lacey made a motion to recommend approval of article 28, reference ATM08-020, Community Preservation Committee, C: historic structures survey for \$20,000. Reg Tardif seconded. **Vote 7-0 in favor.**

Article 28 (ATM08-020): Jim Lacey made a motion to recommend approval of article 28, reference ATM08-020, Community Preservation Committee, D: initial implementation of the historic restoration of Harry Murch Park for \$150,000. Reg Tardif seconded. **Vote 0-7 against.**

Article 28 (ATM08-020): Jim Lacey made a motion to recommend approval of article 28, reference ATM08-020, Community Preservation Committee, E: active recreational land purchase for \$315,000. Reg Tardif seconded. **Vote 6-1 in favor**, Jack L'Hommedieu against.

Article 28 (ATM08-020): Jim Lacey made a motion to recommend approval of article 28, reference ATM08-020, Community Preservation Committee, F: ADA upgrades to Camp Denison for \$5,000. Reg Tardif seconded. **Vote 7-0 in favor.**

Article 28 (ATM08-020): Jim Lacey made a motion to recommend approval of article 28, reference ATM08-020, Community Preservation Committee, G: recreational path development, phase III for \$250,000. Reg Tardif seconded. **Vote 6-1 in favor**, Jack L'Hommedieu against.

Article 29 (ATM08-014): will ask the assessors to clarify the overlay account and then vote prior to town meeting.

Article 30 (ATM08-015): will ask the assessors to clarify the overlay account and then vote prior to town meeting.

Article 31 (ATM08-030): will vote on before town meeting.

Minutes still to approve:

- ◆ 8/15/07, 1/29/08, 2/6/08, 2/12/08, 2/26/08, 2/28/08, 3/05/08, 3/13/08, 3/19/08, 3/25/08, 4/1/08

Our next meeting will be **Wednesday, 04/16/08**, 7:00 pm 3rd floor meeting room. We are canceling the Tuesday, April 8, 2008 meeting.

Motion to adjourn was made by Jim Lacey and seconded by Reg Tardif at 9:15 PM. Motion carried unanimously 7-0.