

TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES
Special Meeting
Wednesday, February 4, 2004

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman, Michael DiBitetto, called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m.

ROLL CALL

D. Belanger – Present	M. Ruel - Present
P. Fitanides – Present	R. Rueppel - Present
M. Jolin - Present (left at 8:55 p.m.)	D. St. Pierre - Present
G. Longfellow – Present	M. DiBitetto, Chairman - Present
P. Loiselle – Excused	

VOTING ON WARRANT ARTICLES

Article #1

To choose all necessary Town officers for the year ensuing.

No action required.

Article #2

Zoning amendments

No action required.

Article #3

Charter amendments

No action required.

Article #4

Shall the Town of Hooksett raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling **\$13,055,472**? Should this article be defeated, the operating budget shall be **\$12,130,130**, which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town of Hooksett or by law; or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only. Note: This Article does not include special warrant articles #5 through #34.

M. Ruel, "I strongly support having the operational budget early on so as to prioritize the warrants."

G. Longfellow requested changing the amount to identify the amount included for the Sewer budget.

D. Savoie, "The warrant cannot be changed as mandated by law, however, a note can be added to identify the amount which is Sewer only."

M. DiBitetto, "I think that may be more confusing to the voter."

D. Savoie, "The Sewer represents \$931,000."

M. Ruel, "I think it is important for the voters to understand all the numbers."

P. Rueppel, "Why can't we put that information in the Newsletter?"

M. DiBitetto, "We will do that, but the issue is do we need a note on the warrant article now."

M. Ruel, "Note: \$931,000 (Sewer Department's budget) of the \$13,055,472 is not raised by taxes, but from sewer fees."

P. Rueppel motioned to approve the article with note change \$931,000 (Sewer Department's budget) of the \$13,055,472 is not raised by taxes, but from sewer fees. and with the default budget to be added upon approval. Seconded by M. Ruel. 7 - 1 (M. Jolin) motion carries

Note: The floor to amend the budget to add the cost of replacing the burners at the Highway Department.

DEFAULT BUDGET (Has an adjustment of \$116,213)

M. Ruel motioned to recommend the default budget of \$12,131,000. Seconded by P. Rueppel.

Roll call vote:

D. Belanger Y	G. Longfellow Y
P. Fitanides Y	M. Ruel Y
M. Jolin	P. Rueppel Y
P. Loiselle	D. St. Pierre N
	M. DiBietto Y

6 – 1 motion carried

Article #5

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$91,822 (ninety-one thousand eight hundred and twenty-two dollars) for the salaries, benefits and other initial costs for a full-time engineer.

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Salaries</u>	<u>Benefits, Taxes, etc.</u>	<u>Other</u>
2004-05	\$55,000	\$24,897	\$11,925

D. Belanger motioned to recommend. Seconded by P. Fitanides.

D. St.Pierre, "I have a distaste for the warrant articles. I will vote on this, but with reservation. The problem with the warrant articles is I understand the mechanism but I feel it is another mechanism to end run the voter."

D. Belanger, "I see it different. I think it's a way to show the voter where the money is being spent."

M. DiBietto, "Some must be on warrant, leasing, borrowing, contract, or bonds."

M. Ruel, "My only concern is that if we get a default, we may still get something."

6 - 2 opposed (M. Jolin, G. Longfellow) motion carries

Article #6

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$54,294 (fifty-four thousand two hundred ninety-four dollars) for pay increases for non-union Town personnel. The pay increase will include a 2% cost of living adjustment and a 2% step merit increase based on a successful performance evaluation.

<u>Type</u>	<u>Salaries</u>	<u>Taxes & Retirement</u>
2% COLA	\$30,833	\$4,178
2% Merit Step	\$16,982	\$2,301

M. Ruel motioned to recommend. Seconded by G. Longfellow.

M. DiBietto, "Any money not expended at the end of the year goes back to the General Fund."

6 - 2 (M. Jolin, M. DiBitetto)motion carries

Article #7

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$34,086 (thirty-four thousand and eighty-six dollars) for the salary, benefits and related costs of a part-time building inspector/code enforcement officer.

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Salaries</u>	<u>Taxes</u>	<u>Other</u>
2004-05	\$31,200	\$2,386	\$500

D. St. Pierre motioned to recommend. Seconded by G. Longfellow.

Roll call vote:

D. Belanger Y	G. Longfellow N
P. Fitanides N	M. Ruel Y
M. Jolin N	P. Rueppel N
P. Loiselle	D. St. Pierre Y
	M. DiBitetto Y

4 – 4 motion failed.

Article #8

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50,000 (fifty thousand dollars) for the purpose of reimbursing the HYAA (Hooksett Youth Athletic Association) for the lighting installed at the new soccer fields at Peterbrook Park. Said funds to be withdrawn from the Parks & Recreation Development Capital Reserve Fund, with no funds from current year taxation.

D. Belanger motioned to recommend. Seconded by G. Longfellow.

6 -2 opposed (D. St. Pierre, M. Ruel) motion carries

Article #9

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Council to enter into a seven year lease/purchase agreement for the purpose of purchasing a Fire Engine Truck and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$61,588 (sixty-one thousand five hundred and eighty-eight dollars) as the first year's payment. This is a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7,VI and will not lapse until the truck is delivered and accepted. *Note: This is a replacement vehicle. The total cost of this fire engine lease, if acquired at an annual lease payment of \$61,588 will be \$431,113.*

D. St. Pierre motioned to recommend. Seconded by M. Ruel.

M. Ruel, "Should we say this is not a Quint?"

D. Belanger, "No, but we should say this is a replacement unit for a unit not received."

M. DiBitetto, "Should we make any reference to the year or the vehicle we are replacing?"

D. Savoie, "No, because what if something unexpected happens, we would want the ability to substitute."

3 – 5 motion fails

In favor (M. Ruel, M. DiBitetto, P. Fitanides)

Opposed (P. Rueppel, M. Jolin, D. Belanger, D. St. Pierre, G. Longfellow)

M. DiBitetto, "Can we record how the individual councilors voted?"

D. Savoie, "There is no reason why you can't have this recorded."

Article #10

To see if the Town will vote to deposit 100% (percent) of the revenues collected pursuant to RSA 79-A in the conservation current use fund, in accordance with RSA 36-A:5,III as authorized by RSA 79-A:25,II. If money from said fund is to be used to purchase any interest in land, the Conservation Commission must hold a public hearing and the acquisition of land must be approved by Town Council. (RSA 36-A:4)

P. Rueppel motioned to recommend. Seconded by D. St. Pierre.

M. Ruel, "I think 75% would be better. Is it too late to change this since we already had a public hearing?"

D. St. Pierre, "I disagree with that. I want to preserve all the land in this town."

P. Rueppel, "I support this as well. We have a good Conservation Commission and we must preserve the land."

G. Longfellow, "Any other time I would support this, but these are tight money times. We have never had difficult years two year in a row. We are taking money that could go into the General Fund."

D. St. Pierre, "I think your philosophy is playing the catch-up game. It doesn't make sense to take the buying strength out of the community."

P. Fitanides, "Why can't it be in warrant article instead of in the General Fund?"

Roll call vote:

D. Belanger Y	G. Longfellow N
P. Fitanides N	M. Ruel Y
M. Jolin Y	P. Rueppel Y
P. Loiselle	D. St. Pierre Y
	M. DiBietto Y

6 - 2 opposed (P. Fitanides, G. Longfellow) motion carries

Article #11

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Council to accept the Village School and land – 15.8 acres (tax map #10, lot #75) from the Hooksett School District for \$1.00 subject to restrictions that the property not be subdivided and that it be used exclusively for governmental, civic, and public educational uses and to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$70,775 (seventy thousand, seven hundred seventy-five dollars) for the first year's expenditures consisting of heating, utilities, insurance, and minimal maintenance and repairs.

P. Rueppel motioned to recommend. Seconded by G. Longfellow.

G. Longfellow, "Did the school district want these restrictions?"

D. Savoie, "Yes, and they have had a public hearing on this and it cannot be changed."

D. St. Pierre, "I would have preferred the to have the Council's own engineers evaluate the building and that has not been done."

G. Longfellow, "We would be foolish not to accept this. The land alone is valuable. It is right in the center of town. You have recreation space."

Roll call vote:

D. Belanger Y	G. Longfellow Y
P. Fitanides Y	M. Ruel Y
M. Jolin Y	P. Rueppel Y
P. Loiselle	D. St. Pierre Y
	M. DiBietto Y

Motion carried unanimously.

Article #12

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$55,020 (fifty-five thousand and twenty dollars) for the salary, benefits and related costs of a full-time floating firefighter.

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Salaries</u>	<u>Benefits,taxes, etc.</u>	<u>Other</u>
2004-05	\$31,168	\$20,652	\$3,200

D. St. Pierre motioned to recommend. Seconded by M. Ruel

M. DiBitetto, "It will cost us more money for a floater than to pay overtime. The hourly cost of a floater is greater than the cost of overtime."

D. St. Pierre, "Is the public at large safer and better with the floater?"

D. Belanger, "We are the only town in the State without Call Firefighters for a town of this size. Call firefighters are there within 4 minutes while full time firefighter can live up to 30 minutes away. By that time mutual aid responds and you end up doing mop up or sitting idly at the fire station. This doesn't make sense."

P. Rueppel, "When a firefighter gets called in we need to pay 3 hours. By the time they get to the station, they are no longer needed but still are paid for a minimum of 3 hours."

M. DiBitetto, "Can we strike any warrant that we do not recommend?"

D. Savoie, "No, but you can zero it out on the floor."

M. Ruel, "You can also motion to reconsider."

Roll call vote:

D. Belanger N	G. Longfellow N
P. Fitanides N	M. Ruel N
M. Jolin N	P. Rueppel N
P. Loiselle	D. St. Pierre N
	M. DiBitetto N

All voted unanimously opposed.

D. St. Pierre motioned to reconsider. Seconded by M. Jolin.

Original motion restated:

P. Loiselle moved to include one permanent floating firefighter at \$55,020 into the budget. Seconded by P. Fitanides.

D. St. Pierre, "I'm concerned with doing this without the Fire Chief present since last he was here he was told it was approved."

Roll call vote:

D. Belanger N	G. Longfellow N
P. Fitanides N	M. Ruel N
M. Jolin N	P. Rueppel N
P. Loiselle	D. St. Pierre N
	M. DiBitetto N

Voted unanimously in opposed.

Article #13

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$90,000 (ninety thousand dollars) to purchase a 6 wheel dump truck with plow and sander for the Highway Department.
Note: This is a replacement vehicle.

***M. Ruel motioned to recommend. Seconded by G. Longfellow
7 - 1 opposed, (M. Jolin) motion carries***

Article #14

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$85,000 (eighty-five thousand dollars) to purchase a Solid Waste tractor for the trailer that hauls solid waste.
Said funds to be withdrawn from the Solid Waste Disposal Fund, with no funds from current year taxation. *Note: This is a replacement vehicle.*

***G. Longfellow motioned to recommend. Seconded by M. Ruel
Voted unanimously in the affirmative.***

Article #15

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$23,000 (twenty-three thousand dollars) to purchase a staff car for the Fire Department. *Note: This is a replacement vehicle.*

D. St. Pierre motioned to recommend. Seconded by M. Ruel.

P. Rueppel, "How old is this vehicle."

D. Savoie, "It is Crown Victorian that is used."

M. DiBitetto, "This is the vehicle that was expected to have expired last year and is painted black with markings on it."

6 - 2 opposed (M. Jolin, D. Belanger) motion carries

Article #16

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$59,680 (fifty-nine thousand six hundred eighty dollars) for the salary, taxes and related costs for ten (10) call firefighter.

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Salaries</u>	<u>Taxes</u>	<u>Other</u>
2004-05	\$28,500	\$2,180	\$29,000

D. Belanger motioned to reconsider and amend.

Motion withdrawn.

D. Belanger motioned to recommend. Seconded by D. St. Pierre.

G. Longfellow, "Call firefighter should be firefighters."

M. Ruel, "We already have budgeted in the budget for 10 call firefighters."

D. Belanger, "We have 1 call firefighter. This money includes the Warden's salary and the Chaplin's."

D. Savoie, "The Chaplin doesn't get paid."

D. Belanger, "If the forest firefighters get paid out of the call firefighters, why does the Warden have a \$25,000 budget."

G. Longfellow, "As of Dec. 31st they have spent 37% of the call firefighter's budget."

D. Belanger, "That is Harold's salary."

D. St. Pierre, "I know you're a call firefighter but one of the things I did because I do HVAC for a living. I helped the Library Trustees in this building. I would like you to help Mary and the firefighters in another way besides throwing the leadership under a bus."

M. Jolin, "This is why this should be in the budget. That is why I'm voting no on this. The voters will understand this less than us."

Roll call vote:

D. Belanger Y	G. Longfellow N
P. Fitanides Y	M. Ruel Y
M. Jolin N	P. Rueppel N
P. Loiselle	D. St. Pierre Y
	M. DiBitetto N

4-4 motion failed.

Article #17

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 (ten-thousand dollars) to be placed in the Parks and Recreation Facilities Development Fund already established.

M. Jolin motioned to recommend. Seconded by G. Longfellow..

M. Ruel, "In a tight year, should we be spending money on fields.

M. Jolin, "This is so we can plan and not expend money all in one year.

G. Longfellow, "There is \$60,000 in this fund. We are taking \$50,000 out leaving \$10,000. If we didn't do this in the past, we wouldn't have the money today."

Roll call vote:

D. Belanger Y	G. Longfellow Y
P. Fitanides Y	M. Ruel N
M. Jolin Y	P. Rueppel Y
P. Loiselle	D. St. Pierre Y
	M. DiBitetto Y

7 - 1 motion carries

Article #18

To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of building containment shed(s) for recyclables at the transfer station and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25,000 (twenty-five thousand dollars) to be placed in said fund, and to name the Town Administrator as agent to expend, in order to comply with the Environmental Protection Agency's National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Storm Water Phase II Rules.

D. St. Pierre motioned to recommend. Seconded by G. Longfellow.

Roll call vote:

D. Belanger Y	G. Longfellow Y
P. Fitanides Y	M. Ruel Y
M. Jolin N	P. Rueppel Y
P. Loiselle	D. St. Pierre Y
	M. DiBitetto N

6 – 2 motion carries

Article #19

To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of updating assessing records to meet assessing certification and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 (ten thousand dollars) to be placed in said fund, and to name the Town Administrator as agent to expend.

G. Longfellow motioned to recommend. Seconded by D. St. Pierre.

G. Longfellow, "What is the total amount needed. Is this ongoing?"

D. St. Pierre, "This is a CIP item and therefore it is ongoing."

D. Savoie, "This is the reval and it is ongoing for the purpose of certification."

Roll call vote:

D. Belanger Y	G. Longfellow Y
P. Fitanides Y	M. Ruel Y
M. Jolin Y	P. Rueppel Y
P. Loiselle	D. St. Pierre Y
	M. DiBietto Y

Unanimously in favor

Article #20

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$15,013 (fifteen thousand thirteen dollars) for the salary and taxes for a part-time purchasing agent.

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Salaries</u>	<u>Taxes</u>
2004-05	\$13,946	\$1,067

P. Rueppel motioned to recommend. Seconded by M. Ruel.

G. Longfellow, "I'm trying to picture how this is used?"

M. DiBietto, "I think we are likely to see a part time person coming in under the Finance Department to do the purchasing and inventory control."

D. St. Pierre, "When the fire, police, and town were buying computers, no one coordinated that purchase."

P. Rueppel, "We did research on this and asked each department how many hours they spent on this and they said 10 hours a week for fire for example."

Roll call vote:

D. Belanger Y	G. Longfellow N
P. Fitanides Y	M. Ruel Y
M. Jolin N	P. Rueppel Y
P. Loiselle	D. St. Pierre Y
	M. DiBietto Y

6 – 2 motion passes

Article #21

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,000 (twenty-thousand dollars) to be placed in the Town Hall Computer Development Fund already established.

D. St. Pierre motioned to recommend. Seconded by G. Longfellow

D. St. Pierre, "The computers in the town hall need to be fully upgraded. Most computers are obsolete in a town within 3-5 years."

Roll call vote:

D. Belanger Y	G. Longfellow Y
P. Fitanides Y	M. Ruel Y
M. Jolin Y	P. Rueppel Y
P. Loiselle	D. St. Pierre Y
	M. DiBietto Y

Unanimously in favor

Article #22

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$70,000 (seventy thousand dollars) to be placed in the Fire Department's Air Packs and Bottles Capital Reserve Fund already established. This is the fifth year of a five-year program to meet the mandatory replacement of air packs and air bottles. *Note: Expiration date January 1, 2005.*

D. Belanger motioned to recommend. Seconded by D. St. Pierre.

D. Belanger, "This is a life safety issue. If this says every 15 years it is to be replaced, it is well worth it."

M. Ruel, "Clarification on the Note: **Existing equipment** Expiration date of January 1, 2005.

Roll call vote:

D. Belanger Y	G. Longfellow N
P. Fitanides Y	M. Ruel Y
M. Jolin Y	P. Rueppel Y
P. Loiselle	D. St. Pierre Y
	M. DiBietto Y

7 – 1 motion carries

Article #23

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$16,800 (sixteen thousand eight hundred dollars) to be placed in the Transfer Station Live Bottom Trailer Capital Reserve Fund already established. *Note: This is the last year of a three-year project and this will be a replacement vehicle.*

G. Longfellow motioned to recommend. Seconded by M. Ruel.

P. Fitanides, "Note should be **equipment** and not vehicle

Roll call vote:

D. Belanger Y	G. Longfellow Y
P. Fitanides Y	M. Ruel Y
M. Jolin Y	P. Rueppel Y
P. Loiselle	D. St. Pierre Y
	M. DiBietto Y

Voted unanimously in the affirmative.

Article #24

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25,000 (twenty-five thousand dollars) to be placed in the Emergency Radio Communication System Capital Reserve Fund, already established.

**D. St. Pierre motioned to recommend. G. Longfellow seconded.
Voted unanimously in the affirmative.**

Article #25

To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of purchasing replacement hardware, software and peripherals of the Fire Department's computer system; said fund to be called the Fire Department Computer Development Capital Reserve Fund and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 (ten thousand dollars) to be placed in said fund, and to name the Town Administrator as agent to expend.

**P. Rueppel motioned to recommend. Seconded by M. Ruel.
7 – 1 opposed (M. Jolin) motion carries**

Article #26

To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for engineering and architectural fees for the construction/design of a municipal town building, and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$60,000 (sixty thousand dollars) to be placed in said fund, and to name the Town Administrator as agent to expend.

D. St. Pierre motioned to recommend. Seconded by M. Ruel.

D. Belanger, "This would be for the Village School?"

D. St. Pierre, "This is not exclusively for the Village School but the rationale was that the school would be donated."

D. St. Pierre, "I thought we were going to do an overlay of the building before we did this."

Roll call vote:

D. Belanger	N	G. Longfellow	N
P. Fitantes	Y	M. Ruel	Y
M. Jolin	N	P. Rueppel	Y
P. Loiselle		D. St. Pierre	Y
		M. DiBitetto	

5 – 3 motion passes

Article #27

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Council to enter into a five year lease/purchase agreement for the purpose of purchasing a Combination Vacuum Sweeper **/Catch Basin Cleaner** for the Highway Department and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$35,000 (thirty-five thousand dollars) as the first year's payment. This is a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7,VI and will not lapse until the truck is delivered and accepted. *Note: The total cost of this vacuum sweeper lease, if acquired at an annual lease payment of \$32,960 will be \$164,800.*

D. Savoie, "The actual number \$32,960"

G. Longfellow motioned to recommend. Seconded by M. Ruel.

G. Longfellow, "The main purpose of purchasing this is as a catch basin cleaner and no where is that mentioned."

Add /catch basin cleaner to the motion for clarification

P. Fitantes, "How many trucks are in the highway's fleet and how many have plows."

D. Savoie, "I will have for next meeting."

7 – 1 (M. Jolin) motion carries

Article #28

To see if the Town will vote to establish an Expendable Trust Fund under the provisions of RSA 31:19-a to be known as Town Buildings Repair fund for unanticipated repairs in any or all town buildings and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$40,000 (forty thousand dollars) to be placed in said fund, and to name the Town Administrator as agent to expend.

D. St. Pierre motioned to recommend. Seconded by P. Fitanides.

M. Jolin, "Expendable trust fund means revolving?"

D. Savoie, "DRA asked us classify it as expendable if it's not a capital item"

D. Savoie, "This is for unanticipated only and it applies to all town buildings."

Roll call vote:

D. Belanger Y	G. Longfellow N
P. Fitanides Y	M. Ruel Y
M. Jolin Y	P. Rueppel Y
P. Loiselle	D. St. Pierre Y
	M. DiBietto N

6 – 2 motion carries

Article #29

To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for aerial photography and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$30,000 (thirty thousand dollars) to be placed in said fund, and to name the Town Administrator as agent to expend.

Note: Total project cost is \$60,000.

D. St. Pierre motioned to recommend. Seconded by P. Fitanides.

D. St. Pierre, "This is important for the Master Plan."

P. Fitanides, "If you haven't already chosen a company, how do you job this out?"

D. Savoie, "We bid it out and it goes before the Council."

P. Fitanides, "SRPC from NH automatically does this every 5-7 years. I'm not sure if this is the same map they're doing."

D. St. Pierre, "If it is 7 years, it will not fit our Master Plan."

M. Jolin, "I'm against having it in a warrant this year. It needs to be done but should be done next year and the entire sum could be put in the budget next year."

D. St. Pierre, "We keep putting things off because it is a difficult year. This is important to the town."

M. Ruel, "If this is related to the Master Plan should there be a note so stating?"

Roll call vote:

D. Belanger Y	G. Longfellow N
P. Fitanides Y	M. Ruel N
M. Jolin N	P. Rueppel N
P. Loiselle	D. St. Pierre Y
	M. DiBietto Y

4 – 4 motion fails

Article #30

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25,000 (twenty-five thousand dollars) to purchase a ¾ Ton Pickup Truck with plow for the Highway Department. *Note: This is a replacement vehicle.*

P. Rueppel motioned to recommend. Seconded by G. Longfellow

Roll call vote:

D. Belanger N	G. Longfellow Y
P. Fitanides N	M. Ruel Y
M. Jolin N	P. Rueppel N
P. Loiselle	D. St. Pierre Y
	M. DiBitetto Y

4 – 4 motion failed

Article #31

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$65,000 (sixty-five thousand dollars) to be placed in the Library HVAC System Development Capital Reserve Fund already established.

P. Rueppel motioned to recommend. Seconded by D. St. Pierre.

Roll call vote:

D. Belanger Y	G. Longfellow Y
P. Fitanides Y	M. Ruel Y
M. Jolin Y	P. Rueppel Y
P. Loiselle	D. St. Pierre Y
	M. DiBitetto Y

Voted unanimously in the affirmative.

Article #32

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$15,000 (fifteen thousand dollars) to be placed in the Police Computer System Development Capital Reserve Fund already established.

G. Longfellow motion to recommend. Seconded by D. St. Pierre.

D. St. Pierre, "To get back to the purchasing agent between 170 and 190,000 have gone through our hands."

Roll call vote:

D. Belanger Y	G. Longfellow Y
P. Fitanides Y	M. Ruel Y
M. Jolin N	P. Rueppel Y
P. Loiselle	D. St. Pierre Y
	M. DiBitetto Y

7 – 1 motion carries

Article #33

To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for purchasing Access TV equipment and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$40,000 (forty thousand dollars) to be placed in said fund, and to name the Town Administrator as agent to expend.

D. St. Pierre motioned to approve. Seconded by M. Ruel.

M. Ruel, "We would have to set up a fund to take in fees?"

D. Savoie, "Yes."

D. St. Pierre, "I'm not going to spend \$40,000 at a time that we have tight budget for someone to watch me on TV."

G. Longfellow, "I agree with Doug."

Roll call vote:

D. Belanger N	G. Longfellow N
P. Fitanides Y	M. Ruel Y
M. Jolin N	P. Rueppel N
P. Loiselle	D. St. Pierre N
	M. DiBitetto N

2 – 6 motion fails

Article #34

To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for acquisition of land and associated costs for the southern leg of the alternate north/south highway (as proposed in the 1971 Metcalf and Eddy comprehensive plan and 1989 town master plan) and raise and appropriate the sum of \$150,000 (one hundred fifty thousand dollars) to be placed in said fund, and to name the Town Administrator as agent to expend.

D. St. Pierre motioned to recommend. Seconded by M. Ruel.

M. Ruel, "I question calling it a highway?"

D. St. Pierre, "That is how it is referred to on the plan. It will make the town more palatable for businesses to come to town."

Roll call vote:

D. Belanger Y	G. Longfellow N
P. Fitanides Y	M. Ruel Y
M. Jolin Y	P. Rueppel Y
P. Loiselle	D. St. Pierre Y
	M. DiBitetto Y

7 – 1 motion carries

Warrant Order

D. Belanger motion to place the article in approval order. Seconded by M. Ruel.

Roll call vote:

D. Belanger Y	G. Longfellow Y
P. Fitanides Y	M. Ruel Y
M. Jolin	P. Rueppel Y
P. Loiselle	D. St. Pierre Y

M. DiBietto Y

Voted unanimously in the affirmative.

ADJOURNMENT

M. DiBietto declared the meeting adjourned at 9:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lee Ann Moynihan

Mary Ruel
Town Council Secretary