

## OFFICIAL

### **TOWN COUNCIL Regular Meeting Wednesday, January 26, 2011**

**CALL TO ORDER:** Chair Gahara called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

**PRESENT:** David Boutin, James Gorton, Vincent Lembo, James Levesque, George Longfellow, Daniel Paradis, Michael Pischetola, Nancy VanScoy and Carol Granfield Town Administrator)

#### **NON-PUBLIC SESSION**

***J. Levesque moved at 6:12 pm to enter into non-public session per RSA 91-A:3, II (c)*** “Matters which, if discussed in public, would likely affect adversely the reputation of any person, other than a member of the public body itself, unless such person requests an open meeting. This exemption shall extend to any application for assistance or tax abatement or waiver of a fee, fine, or other levy, if based on inability to pay or poverty of the applicant.”

***Motion seconded by J. Gorton. Roll call vote carried unanimously.***

***J. Levesque moved at 6:52 pm to exit the non-public session. Motion seconded by N. VanScoy. Roll call vote carried unanimously.***

The Council made a statement that they voted to seal the minutes of the non-public session.

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

December 15, 2010

***D. Boutin motioned to approve the minutes of December 15, 2010. Seconded by N. VanScoy. Vote unanimously in favor.***

January 8, 2011

***D. Boutin motioned to approve the minutes of January 8, 2011. Seconded by N. VanScoy. Vote unanimously in favor.***

January 19, 2011

***D. Boutin motioned to approve the minutes of January 19, 2011. Seconded by N. VanScoy Vote unanimously in favor.*** M. Pischetola abstained.

#### **PUBLIC INPUT**

M. Sorel, 54 Cross Road: I attended the Police Commission meeting last night and would like to report here as well. I read a letter to the editor which prompted me to go back to May 2009 when it became known that there would be public grievance hearings in the Month of May. I didn't know Officer Defina or the issues but attended the hearings. At the end of the second evening I formed an opinion based on and what I witnessed which was Officer Defina is not a good employee. I think he is a bad employee. In business, we call these employees mal-contents. The Letter to the Editor two weeks ago cemented that opinion I made in 2009. Several years ago I took a course in personnel management and read a book by Eldbert Hubbard. In that book, I read, "If I work for a man, work for him.....and never know the reason why" This relates to the letter written by Jay Defina in the Letter to the Editor. (Copy to recording secretary)

M. Miville, 42 Main Street: I also attended the Police Commission meeting. I want this Council to know that the same quote has been used by a Police Commissioner in at least one exit interview which I think is inappropriate to use on an exit interview. I also stated that like noses, everyone has an opinion. I state that Officer Defina has

a right to state his mind and has that right based on the Declaration of Independence. Officer Defina is well loved by citizens, and students, and the Police Commissioner did exonerate him in those hearings stating that due process was not allowed. Officer Defina is right to state his opinion. There has been no disciplinary action based on the departments' behavior by the department. If something happens to Mr. Sorel or anyone else, Officer Defina would be at his house defending his rights and protecting him.

D. Pearl, 79 Main Street: I would like you to reconsider your recommendation to abolish the Police Commission. If you still feel that way, I think next year would be better. The Police Commission asked for an audit last night. It would be counterproductive to stop mid-stream this year. I don't know if the Councilors will have the time to put into the Police Department. They were trying to rectify the statement regarding the West Side Car and it took over 20 minutes to get an answer. The Chief would not give a direct answer. I think in our current situation, the Commission should be allowed to complete the work they have started.

T. Lizotte, 21 Post Road: I was at the Police commission meeting as well. What I got out of that meeting was hyper sensitivity when a posted note on a door warranted 3 days suspension. You can't take a government organization and apply principals from general industry. In business, you can treat employees as you wish and they can leave. In government, it is different. My feeling is when you look at Mr. Defina's assertions; they are a status of Whistle Blower and are based on factual evidence contrary to those made against him which had a false premise.

The recent review of the Charter, of which I read the report provided, there were some interesting things but it does ignore evidence that the economic down term has effective why people don't run for positions. I think people are not aware of the opportunities. There is a lack of mentoring. There should be some mentoring and we need to ask people to participate. People think they need to have a degree in accounting to be on the Budget Committee. We lack media outlets. The Union Leader is focused on Manchester and the Banner is limited. I think it is beneficial to have two separate elections and this allows time to get all the information out to the public.

## **NOMINATIONS/APPOINTMENTS**

### Available Positions

Heritage Commission-Alternate Member, exp. 6/2012  
Town Hall Preservation Committee  
Conservation Commission – Council Representative

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### Budget

B. Gahara proposed funding a .05% wage pool of \$15,915 for town employees which would be funded by reducing tipping fees by \$14,000 and the library budget \$1808. When we started the budget we looked at trying to get money for a wage pool. As we tracked, we had a CIP. The plan proposes a CIP warrant of a straight line reduction in the CIP Warrants for the first year and keeping mandatory request. This results in a 25 cent increase in the tax rate.

H. Shumway stated that the Library is not prepared to make any reductions in the budget.

D. Boutin stated that he supports placing the merit wage pool in the operating budget and proposed funding by reducing the part time police budget line which has been consistently under spent.

***N. VanScoy motioned to not require reconsiderations on any motions previously made on the budget. Seconded by V. Lembo. Vote unanimously in favor.***

***D. Boutin motion to reduce the Part time line 113 on the Police Commission budget by \$40,000. Seconded by N. VanScoy.***

J. McHugh, Police Commissioner stated that the reason that line was under expended was one part time employee was out of work due to surgery and has since returned and the other is for part time investigation.

D. Boutin stated that the Chief's testimony regarding these positions was they are not regular part time positions. They are basically on call. It hasn't previously been expended at that level and this is a reasonable reduction that will not interfere with the operation of the department.

C. Soucie stated that according to the back-up provided by the Police Commission, the part time clerk is \$34,000 and the part time investigator is \$39,000.

N. VanScoy asked if D. Boyce could address the proposed reduction in the tipping fees.

D. Boyce: I'm worried about a reduction of \$14,000 and I budgeted based on historical data. In 2009, we generated more than this year. I can't predict what the economy will do. On the disposal fees, everything is spelled out and there is not too much fluctuation.

**Roll Call Vote on motion to reduce the Police Budget by \$40,000.**

<b>Chairman Gahara</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>G. Longfellow</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>D. Boutin</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>D. Paradis</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>J. Gorton</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>M. Pischetola</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>J. Levesque</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>N. VanScoy</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>V. Lembo</b>	<b>No</b>		

**Vote 6:3 motion carries**

**D. Boutin motioned to add ½ percent for a wage pool of \$15,915 with \$14,107 to Administration and \$1808 to the Library. Seconded by N. VanScoy.**

**Roll Call on merit wage of ½ percent**

<b>N. VanScoy</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>J. Levesque</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>D. Boutin</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>G. Longfellow</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>J. Gorton</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>D. Paradis</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>V. Lembo</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>B. Gahara</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>M. Pischetola</b>	<b>Yes</b>		

**Vote 7:2 motion carries**

**V. Lembo motioned to reduce the line Sewer Commission Stipend \$5000 and transfer to the Sewer Department budget. Seconded by J. Gorton. Roll call vote unanimously in favor.**

C. Granfield stated there was an oversight in the Town Clerk Department's budget with no funds allocated for dog tags. \$600 should be added to the Office Supply line 414-01-424.

**J. Gorton motioned to increase the Town Clerk Supply line 414-01-424 by \$600 for Dog Tags. Seconded by D. Boutin. Vote unanimously in favor. M. Pischetola abstained**

G. Longfellow stated that with the operating budget is \$268,000 below the default budget suggested purchasing a new plow truck and remove that item from the CIP.

C. Soucie stated the operating budget is \$228,000 below default.

D. Hemeon stated the cost for a plow truck is approximately \$138,000. His priority is a backhoe at a cost of approximately \$120,000.

**G. Longfellow motioned to add \$120,000 into Public Works budget (Capital Purchases) for a backhoe. Seconded by M. Pischetola.**

(Increase of 7cents on the tax rate)

**Roll Call add \$120,000 to Public Works**

<b>G. Longfellow</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>J. Gorton</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>D. Paradis</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>V. Lembo</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>M. Pischetola</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>J. Levesque</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>N. VanScoy</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>B. Gahara</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>Boutin</b>	<b>No</b>		

**Vote 5:4 motion carries**

**N. VanScoy motioned to reduce the Transfer and Recycling budget by \$20,000 for tipping fees. Seconded by G. Longfellow (441-10-542)**

N. VanScoy stated that this line has traditionally been over-budgeted and this is less of a decrease than previously proposed. This would make up the money that we just authorized spending for the backhoe.

D. Boyce stated that trash has to be paid for some place. The \$14,000 was a lot and now \$20,000 reduction is a lot.

**Roll Call vote to reduce tipping fees**

<b>J. Levesque</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>J. Gorton</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>G. Longfellow</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>D. Boutin</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>D. Paradis</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>V. Lembo</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>M. Pischetola</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>B. Gahara</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>N. VanScoy</b>	<b>Yes</b>		

**Vote 4:5 motion failed**

**The Operating Budget is \$15,940,217 which is \$108,462 less than the default (28 cent increase on the tax rate without the Police Union contract and including the CIP which has not been voted on.)**

B. Gahara: I do not support this budget. We had a plan and 28 cents is too much for me to vote for. I am more inclined to support a 23 cent increase. That is a significant number. We should have stayed with the plan. This action of putting the backhoe in defeats that purpose. I will vote no.

**The percentage below last year's budget is .051%**

B. Gahara: When we took the \$120,000 and added it to the budget for backhoe and will remove \$37,500 from the CIP, we are still at 28 cents. The tax implication on just the budget is a reduction of .07 cents.

**J. Gorton motioned to approve the operating budget of \$15,940,217. Seconded by G. Longfellow.**

**Roll Call to approve \$15,540,217**

<b>V. Lembo</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>N. VanScoy</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>J. Levesque</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>D. Boutin</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>G. Longfellow</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>J. Gorton</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>D. Paradis</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>B. Gahara</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>M. Pischetola</b>	<b>No</b>		

**Vote 4:5 motion failed**

**D. Boutin motioned to approve the operating budget in the amount \$15,820,217 with a reduction of \$120,000 from Public Works Department. Seconded by N. VanScoy.**

**Roll Call to approve \$15,830,217**

<b>J. Gorton</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>M. Pischetola</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>V. Lembo</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>N. VanScoy</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>J. Levesque</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>D. Boutin</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>G. Longfellow</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>B. Gahara</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>D. Paradis</b>	<b>Yes</b>		

**Vote 8:1 motion carries**

**Joint Loss Safety Plan Amendment**

**J. Gorton motioned to approve the amendment to the Joint Loss Safety Plan as presented. Seconded by J. Levesque. Vote unanimously in favor**

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Warrants Articles**

**A**

*To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,538,000 for the reconstructive renovations of the Safety Center, and to authorize the issuance of not more than \$1,538,000 of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33) and to authorized the Town Council to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon; furthermore, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$56,000 for the purposes of paying the first year's bond issuance costs and interest payments on the bond. (3/5 ballot vote required)*

**N. VanScoy motioned to move Warrant Article A for \$1,538,000 as written and read. Seconded by D. Boutin.**

**Roll Call**

<b>D. Boutin</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>D. Paradis</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>J. Gorton</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>G. Longfellow</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>V. Lembo</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>M. Pischetola</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>J. Levesque</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>N. VanScoy</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>B. Gahara</b>	<b>Yes</b>		

**Vote 8:1 motion carries**

**D**

*To see if the Town will vote to approve the cost item included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Hooksett Police Commission and the Hooksett Police Union which calls for the following increases in salaries, taxes, retirement and other benefits at the current staffing level:*

**Estimated increase over prior year**

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Salaries</u>	<u>Taxes, Benefits &amp; Retirement</u>
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*and further to raise and appropriate the sum of \$\_\_\_\_\_ for the current fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits over those of the appropriation at current staffing levels paid in the prior fiscal year.*

**No action taken at this time.**

**D-1**

Shall the Town, if article #D is defeated, authorize the governing body to call one special meeting, at its option, to address article #D cost items only?

**No action taken at this time**

**E**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$16,500 (Sixteen Thousand Five Hundred Dollars) to be placed in the Town Wide Computer Development Capital Reserve Fund already established.

**D. Boutin motioned to move Article as read and written. Seconded by N. VanScoy**

C. Granfield clarified that these funds are for the financial package and the upgrade in Assessing.

**Roll Call**

<b>N. VanScoy</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>D. Paradis</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>J. Gorton</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>G. Longfellow</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>V. Lembo</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>M. Pischetola</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>J. Levesque</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>D. Boutin</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>B. Gahara</b>	<b>Yes</b>		

**Vote 8:1 motion carries**

**F**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$62,000 (Sixty-two Thousand Dollars) to be placed in the Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund already established.

**D. Boutin motioned to move as read and written. Seconded by M. Pischetola**

<b>M. Pischetola</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>V. Lembo</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>N. VanScoy</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>J. Levesque</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>D. Boutin</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>G. Longfellow</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>J. Gorton</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>D. Paradis</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>B. Gahara</b>	<b>Yes</b>		

**Vote 7:2 motion carries**

**G**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$6,250 (Six Thousand Two Hundred Fifty Dollars) to be placed in the Town of Hooksett's Master Plan Capital Reserve Fund already established.

**D. Boutin motioned to move as read and written. Seconded by J. Gorton**

N. VanScoy stated that she would like to see this approved since we cannot use our impact fee if the Master Plan is not up to date.

**Roll Call**

<b>D. Paradis</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>V. Lembo</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>M. Pischetola</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>J. Levesque</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>N. VanScoy</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>G. Longfellow</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>D. Boutin</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>B. Gahara</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>J. Gorton</b>	<b>Yes</b>		

**Vote 9:0 motion carries**

**H**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$12,250 (Twelve Thousand Two Hundred Fifty Dollars) to be placed in the Road Impact Fee Traffic Study Capital Reserve Fund already established.

**D. Boutin motioned to move as read and written. Seconded by J. Gorton.**

G. Longfellow stated that they haven't said what they will spend the money on. There were 3-4 intersections in the town but no one has come forward to say once we have the study what they will do.

J. Gorton stated that prior to expending any money, a study must be done. If this is not done, the money will be returned to the developers with interest.

G. Longfellow: I just want to know what you will do once you complete the study.

Currently \$37,500 in the fund.

**Roll Call**

<b>G. Longfellow</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>J. Gorton</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>D. Paradis</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>V. Lembo</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>M. Pischetola</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>J. Levesque</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>N. VanScoy</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>B. Gahara</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Boutin</b>	<b>Yes</b>		

**Vote 5:4 motion carries**

**J**

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Council to enter into a seven year lease agreement for \$375,000 the purpose of leasing a tanker for the Fire-Rescue Department, and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$62,550 (Sixty-two Thousand Five Hundred Fifty Dollars) for the first year's payment for that purpose. This lease agreement contains an escape clause.

**D. Boutin motioned to move this article as read and written. Seconded by J. Levesque.**

G. Longfellow stated that a truck was purchased last year using impact fees and this is the second year in a row that a new truck has been requested.

N. VanScoy stated that at the CIP meeting, it was presented as a need for a larger tanker. The current tanker is from 1990. This is needed as a result of new residential developments which are being built with cisterns in lieu of water lines.

Chief Williams stating that they are seeking a 2500 gallon tanker. This item has been in the CIP for two years

J. Levesque stated that Hooksett has a lot of rural area that is not serviced by hydrants and we need to insure that they can get water.

Chief Williams stated that a new engine was purchased last year to replace a 1985 engine. The 1990 tanker is the oldest truck in the fleet.

**Roll Call**

<b>J. Levesque</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>D. Boutin</b>	<b>Yes</b>
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<b>G. Longfellow</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>J. Gorton</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>D. Paradis</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>V. Lembo</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>M. Pischetola</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>B. Gahara</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>N. VanScoy</b>	<b>Yes</b>		

**Vote 8:1 motion carries**

**K**

To see if the Town will vote to establish a capital reserve fund under the provision of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of purchasing Fire Apparatus, such as engines, tankers, and forestry vehicles etc. and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,000 (Twenty Thousand Dollars) to be placed in this fund, and to name the Town Administrator as the agent to expend.

**D. Boutin motioned to move Article as read and written. Seconded by J. Levesque.**

Chief Williams stated this was put in the CIP as a plan for future needs

N. VanScoy stated that the CIP Committee wanted to start saving for future needs.

**D. Boutin withdrew his motion.**

**N. VanScoy motioned to move as written and read. Seconded J. Gorton**

N. VanScoy stated although the Chief didn't specifically request this Article, there are vehicles that are needed in the future like the Forestry vehicles.

Chief Williams supports this funding plan.

**Roll Call**

<b>J. Gorton</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>M. Pischetola</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>V. Lembo</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>N. VanScoy</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>J. Levesque</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>D. Boutin</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>G. Longfellow</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>B. Gahara</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>D. Paradis</b>	<b>Yes</b>		

**Vote 6:3 motion carries**

**D. Boutin motioned to eliminate Article K from \$20,000 to 0. Seconded by M. Pischetola.**

To see if the Town will vote to establish a capital reserve fund under the provision of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of purchasing Fire Apparatus, such as engines, tankers, and forestry vehicles etc. and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,000 (Twenty Thousand Dollars) to be placed in this fund, and to name the Town Administrator as the agent to expend.

**Roll Call**

<b>J. Gorton</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>M. Pischetola</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>V. Lembo</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>N. VanScoy</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>J. Levesque</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>D. Boutin</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>D. Paradis</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>B. Gahara</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>G. Longfellow</b>	<b>Absent</b>		

**5:3 passed**



**L**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 (Ten Thousand Dollars) to be placed in the Air Pack and Bottles Capital Reserve Fund already established.

**D. Boutin motioned to move as read and written. Seconded N. VanScoy. Roll Call unanimously in favor 9:0.**

**M**

To see if the Town will vote to establish a capital reserve fund under the provision of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of purchasing Plow Dump Trucks for Public Works and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$37,500 (Thirty-seven Thousand Five Hundred Dollars) to be placed in this fund, and to name the Town Administrator as the agent to expend.

**G. Longfellow motioned to move as read and written. Seconded by J. Gorton. Roll call vote unanimously in favor.**

**N. VanScoy motioned to reduce from \$37,500, Plow Dump Truck CR Fund to 0. Seconded by M. Pischetola.**

B. Gahara recommending reducing the three warrant articles which we recommended at an increased amount. Those items were the backhoe, the one ton dump truck and the building maintenance. If those are reduced back to the number reflected in the plan, the tax rate will be reduced.

**N. VanScoy withdrew the motion. Withdrew second.**

**N**

To see if the Town will vote to establish a capital reserve fund under the provision of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of purchasing 1-Ton Dump Trucks for Public Works and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25,000 (Twenty-five Thousand Dollars) to be placed in this fund, and to name the Town Administrator as the agent to expend.

**D. Boutin motioned to move as read and written for \$25,000. Seconded by M. Pischetola**

**G. Longfellow motioned to amend the motion to \$12,500. Seconded by N. VanScoy.**

**Roll Call to amend to \$12,500**

<b>N. VanScoy</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>G. Longfellow</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>D. Boutin</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>D. Paradis</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>J. Gorton</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>M. Pischetola</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>V. Lembo</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>B. Gahara</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>J. Levesque</b>	<b>Yes</b>		

**Vote 4:5 motion fails**

**Roll Call vote on original motion \$25,000**

<b>M. Pischetola</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>J. Levesque</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>N. VanScoy</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>G. Longfellow</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>D. Boutin</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>D. Paradis</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>J. Gorton</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>B. Gahara</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>V. Lembo</b>	<b>Yes</b>		

**Vote 8:1 motion carries**

**N. VanScoy motioned to reduce from 25,000 to \$12,500. Seconded by J. Levesque. Roll Call vote unanimously in favor. (8:0 Longfellow absent)**

**O**

To see if the Town will vote to establish a capital reserve fund under the provision of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of purchasing Backhoes and Loaders for Public Works and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$75,000 (Seventy-five Thousand Dollars) to be placed in this fund, and to name the Town Administrator as the agent to expend.

**N. VanScoy motioned to move as read and written for \$75,000. Seconded by J. Gorton.**

**Roll Call Vote**

<b>G. Longfellow</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>J. Gorton</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>D. Paradis</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>V. Lembo</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>M. Pischetola</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>J. Levesque</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>N. VanScoy</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>B. Gahara</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>D. Boutin</b>	<b>No</b>		

**Vote 7:2 motion carries**

**N. VanScoy motioned to reduce from \$75,000 to \$37,500. Seconded by D. Paradis. Roll Call vote unanimously in favor (8:0 Longfellow absent).**

**P**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000 (Five Thousand Dollars) to be placed in the Parks and Recreation Facilities Development Capital Reserve Fund already established.

**N. VanScoy motioned to approve as written and read. Seconded by J. Gorton**

**Roll Call**

<b>D. Paradis</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>V. Lembo</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>M. Pischetola</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>J. Levesque</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>N. VanScoy</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>G. Longfellow</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>D. Boutin</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>B. Gahara</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Gorton</b>	<b>Yes</b>		

**Vote 7:2 motion carries**

**Q**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50,000 (Fifty Thousand Dollars) to be placed in the Town Building Maintenance Capital Reserve Fund already established.

**M. Pischetola motioned to move as written and read for \$50,000. Seconded by J. Levesque.**

**Roll Call**

<b>J. Levesque</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>D. Boutin</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>G. Longfellow</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>J. Gorton</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>D. Paradis</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>V. Lembo</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>M. Pischetola</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>B. Gahara</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>N. VanScoy</b>	<b>No</b>		

**Vote 5:4 motion carries**

**M. Pischetola motioned to reduce Q from \$50,000 to \$25,000. Seconded by N. VanScoy.**

**Roll Call**

<b>D. Boutin</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>D. Paradis</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>J. Gorton</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>G. Longfellow</b>	<b>Absent</b>
<b>V. Lembo</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>M. Pischetola</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>J. Levesque</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>N. VanScoy</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>B. Gahara</b>	<b>Yes</b>		

**Vote 6:2 motion carries**

**R**

To see if the Town will vote to establish a capital reserve fund under the provision of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of purchasing Pickup Trucks for Public Works and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$7,500 (Seven Thousand Five Hundred Dollars) to be placed in this fund, and to name the Town Administrator as the agent to expend.

**D. Boutin motioned to move as written and read. Seconded V. Lembo.**

**Roll Call**

<b>J. Levesque</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>N. VanScoy</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>G. Longfellow</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>D. Boutin</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>D. Paradis</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>J. Gorton</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>M. Pischetola</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>V. Lembo</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>B. Gahara</b>	<b>Yes</b>		

**Vote 5:4 motion carries**

**S**

To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$920,000 to purchasing equipment for an automated trash collections/curbside recycling program; of this amount \$700,000 (Seven Hundred Thousand Dollars) is be withdrawn from the Solid Waste Disposal Fund and \$220,000 (Two Hundred Twenty Thousand Dollars) to be raised from general taxation.

**D. Boutin motioned to move as read and written. Seconded by N. VanScoy**

**Roll Call**

<b>D. Boutin</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>D. Paradis</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>J. Gorton</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>M. Pischetola</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>V. Lembo</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>N. VanScoy</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>J. Levesque</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>B. Gahara</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>G. Longfellow</b>	<b>No</b>		

**Vote 7:2 motion carries**

**T**

To see if the Town will vote to establish a revolving fund pursuant to RSA 31:95-h, for the purpose of ambulance services. All revenues received for ambulance services will be deposited into the fund, and the money in the fund shall be allowed to accumulate from year to year, and shall not be considered part of the Town's general fund unreserved fund balance. The Town Treasurer shall have custody of all moneys in the fund, and shall pay out the same only upon order of the Town Administrator and no further approval is required by the legislative body to expend. Such funds may be expended only for the purpose for which the fund was created.

Note: 1 )Agent can approve spending from this fund for only ambulance service expenditures. Voters, through a warrant article, could restrict expenditures from the fund by limiting types of items or services that may be

*purchased. Also no money may be spent from the revolving fund for any item or service for which an appropriation has been specifically rejected by the voters during the same year.*

*2) After the first year of this fund passing Ambulance expenses should be removed from Fire-Rescues operating budget.*

***N. VanScoy motioned to move as read and written. Seconded by J. Levesque. Vote unanimously in favor***

*U*

*Shall we adopt the provisions of RSA 31:95-c to restrict 100% of revenues from Hooksett School District for snow plowing & grass mowing to expenditures for the purpose of Public Works provided maintenance and equipment for the school's parking lots and grounds, including plowing, sweeping, mowing, painting of fields etc.? Such revenues and expenditures shall be accounted for in a special revenue fund known as the Parking Lots and Grounds Maintenance fund, separate from the general fund. Any surplus in said fund shall not be deemed part of the general fund accumulated surplus and shall be expended only after a vote by the legislative body to appropriate a specific amount from said fund for a specific purpose related to the purpose of the fund or source of the revenue. Majority vote required."*

*Note: Voters need to approve spending from this fund via warrant article.*

*Requires public hearing per RSA between March 11<sup>th</sup> and April 26<sup>th</sup>*

***N. VanScoy motioned to move as read and written. Seconded by V. Lembo. Vote unanimously in favor.***

*V*

*To see if the Town will vote to discontinue the following Capital Reserve Funds with said funds with accumulated interest to date of withdrawal, to be transferred to the municipality's general fund. (Majority vote required).*

*-Air Conditioning Unit for Library (established in 2001) with a zero balance*

*-Field Lights at Donati Park (established in 1994) with a zero balance*

*-Safety Complex (established in 1991) with a zero balance*

*-Computer Network (established in 1996) with a zero balance*

*-Town Hall Computer Development (established in 2002) with a zero balance*

*-Rubbish Truck (established in 1995) with a zero balance*

*-Assessing Certification (established in 2003) with a zero balance*

*-Forestry Truck with Skid Unit (established in 2003) with a balance of \$4.32*

***N. VanScoy motioned to move as read and written. Seconded by J. Gorton. Vote unanimously in favor***

*W*

*Shall the Town vote to authorize until rescinded the acceptance of privately-donated gifts, legacies and devises which shall be invested and accounted for separately from and not commingled with, amounts appropriated for expendable trust funds created under RSA 31:19-a, paragraph 1 and shall be subject to the custody and investment provisions applicable to trust funds accepted under RSA 31:19. Majority vote required.*

*Note: This would allow Town Council to setup expendable trust funds for donations, without having to ask the voters each time. The donations can only be utilized for the purpose in which they were given.*

D. Ross submitted a revision to this article. This is clearer.

C. Soucie: The wording came from DRA and we can have the new wording reviewed and approved by DRA.

***J. Levesque motion to approve the revised wording pending the approval of DRA, otherwise it will revert back to the original warrant article. Seconded by N. VanScoy.***

***N. VanScoy motioned to amend to add the rescinded...after the word Town Council and before the words privately. Seconded by J. Levesque. Vote unanimously in favor on the amendment.***

***Vote on original motion as amended. Vote unanimously in favor.***

26 cents on the tax rate is the final impact on the tax rate without the police contract.

***N. VanScoy motioned to establish a Capital reserve under RSA35:1 for the purpose of establishing a fund for roadway and drainage upgrades and raise and appropriate the sum of \$50,000 for the fund and name the Administrator as the agent to expend. (to remove the Beauchesne fund)***

***Seconded by V. Lembo***

N. VanScoy stated there is existing infrastructure in need of upgrades and future development will require drainage upgrades. It needs to be added this year and we need to look at cutting already approved CIP.

***Roll Call***

<b><i>N VanScoy</i></b>	<b><i>Yes</i></b>	<b><i>G. Longfellow</i></b>	<b><i>No</i></b>
<b><i>D. Boutin</i></b>	<b><i>No</i></b>	<b><i>D. Paradis</i></b>	<b><i>No</i></b>
<b><i>J. Gorton</i></b>	<b><i>No</i></b>	<b><i>M, Pischetola</i></b>	<b><i>No</i></b>
<b><i>J. Lembo</i></b>	<b><i>No</i></b>	<b><i>B. Gahara</i></b>	<b><i>No</i></b>
<b><i>J Levesque</i></b>	<b><i>No</i></b>		

***Vote 8:1 motion failed***

C. Soucie stated the result is a 20 cent increase in the tax rate without the Police Contract.

***Bond Release – Corriveau Drive Cash Bond***

C. Granfield: This is a cash bond for \$25,000 for the road. The Public Works director requested the bond and it's been inspected and now recommends release.

***D. Boutin motioned to release the bond for Corriveau Drive in the amount of \$25,000. Seconded by J. Gorton. Roll Call vote unanimously in favor.***

***ADJOURNMENT***

***D. Boutin motioned to adjourn at 11:18 pm. Seconded by J. Levesque. Vote unanimously in favor.***

Respectfully submitted,

Lee Ann Moynihan