

APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

April 5, 2007

Present: Chairman Elaine Kelly
Vice Chairman Rick Nieber
Janice Hight
Dan McInnis
Dale Rains
Lynne Winter

Also Present: Selectman Fran Bakstran
Town Administrator
Assistant Town Administrator

Meeting called to order by Chairman at 7:00 p.m. in Conference Room B.

Approval of Minutes

Motion was made by Rick Nieber to approve the minutes of March 27, 2007; seconded by Janice Hight; approved unanimously.

Community Preservation Committee

Committee received a Presentation on Community Preservation Act (CPA) Town Meeting Articles from CPA Committee Member Tom Sartori and Town Planner Kathy Joubert.

Committee inquired as to whether Article 31 requires Town Meeting approval for purchase of land. Article 31 allows Conservation Commission to purchase land without further Town Meeting approval.

Committee inquired as to the Irrigation System Project (Article 37). The Project totals \$90,000 in cost to be financed by contributions from Northborough Baseball Association, Pop Warner Football and Northborough Soccer Association above the \$35,000 from CPA Funds.

Review and votes on Town Meeting Warrant Articles.

The Committee continued the review of the Town Meeting Warrant and voted the following recommendations on the Budget/Warrant Articles for the 2007 Annual Town Meeting.

Motion by Rick Nieber to approve Articles 31-39 together. Motion failed for lack of second.

<u>Article</u>	<u>Motion</u>	<u>Second</u>	<u>Vote</u>
31	Nieber	McInnis	No – Unanimous 5-0 (Chair did not vote)
32	Hight	Nieber	Yes – Unanimous 5-0 (Chair did not vote)
33	Hight	Rains	Yes – Unanimous 5-0 (Chair did not vote)
34	Winter	McInnis	Yes – 3 (McInnis, Rains & Winter) Abstain – 2 (Hight & Nieber)

35	Nieber	Rains	Yes – Unanimous 5-0 (Chair did not vote)
36	Nieber	McInnis	Yes – Unanimous 5-0 (Chair did not vote)
37	Winter	Rains	Yes – 4; No – 1 (Hight) (Chair did not vote)
38	Nieber	Hight	Yes – Unanimous 5-0 (Chair did not vote)
39	Winter	McInnis	Yes – 3 (McInnis, Rains & Winter); No – 1 (Hight); Abstain – 1 (Nieber)
42	Hight	Nieber	Yes – Unanimous 5-0 (Chair did not vote)
43	Hight	Rains	Yes – Unanimous 5-0 (Chair did not vote)
44	Hight	Nieber	Yes – 2 (Rains & Winter); No – 3 (Hight, McInnis & Nieber); motion fails
45	Hight	McInnis	Yes – 4; No – 1 (Nieber) (Chair did not vote)
7	Hight	Rains	Yes – 1 (Winter); No – 4 (Chair did not vote); motion fails
20	Winter	McInnis	Yes – 2 (McInnis & Winter); No – 2 (Nieber & Rains); Abstain – 1 (Hight) (Chair did not vote); motion fails
21	Hight	Nieber	Yes – Unanimous 5-0 (Chair did not vote)

Other Business

Committee scheduled special meeting before Town Meeting on April 23, 2007 at 6:45 p.m. for any final items requiring attention.

Chair indicated need to fill vacancy temporarily filled by Jim Casella for the past year. Committee asked that vacancy be advertised and same process for filling be followed as was used last year.

Meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

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