

TOWN OF NORTHBOROUGH

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Minutes Financial Planning Committee April 11, 2013

Jason Perreault David DeVries Michael Hodge

Present:

Richard Smith

Heidi Bourque

Roger Leland

Also in attendance: John Coderre

Meeting convened by Chairman Perreault at 7:05 p.m.

Approval of March 28th minutes

Minutes approved 6-0.

Recommendations on Town Meeting Articles

Committee discusses three home rule petitions.

IOD – Injured on Duty. This rule basically allows injured compensation insurance to follow expenses. Current system any IOD insurance proceeds go to General Fund and don't follow expense.

Insurance proceeds from property claims. Same logic as above, having insurance proceeds follow expenses.

Project under \$100k to be exempt from public construction rules. This would allow smaller jobs to be accomplished easier, quicker, and at a lower cost. Additionally smaller local firms may be able to participate in public projects.

Article 29 – IOD – RL first, DD second to recommend approval. 6-0 in favor.

Article 30 – Insurance proceeds – DD first, RL second to recommend approval. 6-0 in favor.

Article 31 – Prevailing Wage – DD first, RS second to recommend approval. 6-0 in favor.



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Designee for Staffing Study

Town forming committee to review staffing needs of all departments. Richard Smith will be FPC appointee.

Meals Tax and Hotel Tax discussion

Committee reviews and discusses the local tax option in detail. DD moved, MH second to recommend approval of meals tax. 6-0 in support. RL moved, DD second to recommend approval of hotels tax. 6-0 in support.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Hodge

Documents used during meeting:

- 1. April 11, 2013 Meeting Agenda
- 2. March 28, 2013 Meeting Minutes
- 3. Town Meeting Warrant Articles