

BOARD OF SELECTMEN
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

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A meeting of the Orleans Board of Selectmen was held on Tuesday, March 27, 2012 in the Nauset Room of the Town Hall. Present were Chairwoman Margie Fulcher, Vice-Chairman Sims McGrath Jr., Clerk Jon R. Fuller, Selectman David M. Dunford, Selectwoman Susan B. Christie, Town of Orleans Director of Municipal Finance David Withrow, Town Administrator John Kelly and Recording Secretary Kristen Holbrook.

Chairwoman Fulcher called the meeting to order at 9:05 AM.

Vote to Approve FY13 Budget: (00:00:33)

Town Administrator John Kelly and Director of Municipal Finance David Withrow presented the Board with the final draft of the proposed FY13 operating budget.

Mr. Dunford stated that he would prefer to defer the vote on the operating budget.

On a motion by Mr. Dunford, and seconded by Mrs. Christie, the Board voted to postpone the vote on the proposed FY13 Town of Orleans Operating Budget until all of the Annual and Special Town Meeting Warrant Articles are finalized. The vote was 1-4-0, and the motion failed. Mr. Fuller, Mr. McGrath, Mrs. Fulcher and Mrs. Christie all voted no.

Mr. Kelly explained that the vote on the operating budget is not dependent on the warrant articles. The operating budget is only a portion of the warrant. The financial impact of the warrant articles is evident in the financial plan, and would be impacted there, not in the operating budget.

On a motion by Mr. McGrath, and seconded by Mrs. Christie, the Board voted to place and recommend approval of the proposed FY13 Town of Orleans Operating Budget as presented in the amount of \$28,347,928. The vote was 4-1-0. Mr. Dunford voted no.

Vote to Approve FY14-18 Capital Improvement Plan: (00:14:10)

Mr. Kelly presented the Board with the final draft of the Capital Improvement Plan for fiscal year 2014 through fiscal year 2018.

Mr. Dunford recommended that the Board voted to place dredging on the CIP for FY14.

On a motion by Mr. Dunford, and seconded by Mrs. Christie, the Board voted to place dredging in the Capital Improvement Plan in FY2015 with an amount of \$100,000 for one year as debt exclusion. The vote was 5-0-0.

On a motion by Mr. Fuller, and seconded by Mr. Dunford, the Board voted to approve the Capital Improvement Plan for FY14-FY18 as amended. The vote was 5-0-0.

Review and Approve Annual and Special Town Meeting Warrant Articles:
(00:23:42)

The Board met with Carol Ridley of the Pleasant Bay Alliance to discuss the proposed amendment to the Pleasant Bay Alliance Resource Management Plan. Ms. Ridley explained that the special article is needed to amend the Resource Management Plan so that a municipality would be able to pursue permits for improvement dredging within the Area of Critical Environmental Concern. Ms. Ridley further explained that the Pleasant Bay Alliance has been researching the need for improvement dredging for the last two years and has concluded that there is a potential for need for future improvement dredging due to the 2007 inlet. Ms. Ridley explained that the Conservation Commission and the Shellfish and Waterways Advisory Committee support the amendment.

On a motion by Mr. McGrath, and seconded by Mr. Dunford, the Board voted to place and recommend approval of an article to amend the Pleasant Bay Alliance Resource Management Plan on the Annual Town Meeting Warrant. The vote was 5-0-0.

The Board met with Town of Orleans Fire Chief William Quinn to discuss three proposed articles for the Annual and Special Town Meeting Warrants.

Chief Quinn presented the Board with a proposed article to fund outboard motors for two rescue boats for the Special Town Meeting Warrant. Chief Quinn explained that he acquired a 25 foot rescue boat through government surplus and he is proposing that the Town purchase two outboard motors and a water pump to fully utilize the shared resource.

Mr. Kelly recommended that the Board move the outboard motor purchase article to the Annual Town Meeting Warrant as a raise and appropriate item.

On a motion by Mr. McGrath, and seconded by Mrs. Christie, the Board voted to place and recommend approval of an article on the Annual Town Meeting Warrant "to Fund Outboard Motors and Installation for New Rescue Boat" in the amount of \$36,000. The vote was 3-2-0, Mr. Fuller and Mr. Dunford voted no.

Mr. Kelly and Chief Quinn presented the Board with information for an article on the Special Town Meeting Warrant "to transfer funds to the overtime account and fund buyout for retirement".

On a motion by Mr. McGrath, and seconded by Mrs. Christie, the Board voted to place and recommend approval of the Special Town Meeting Warrant Article "to Transfer Funds to Fire Department Overtime Account" in the total amount of \$69,000. The vote was 5-0-0.

On a motion by Mr. McGrath, and seconded by Mr. Fuller, the Board voted to place and recommend approval of the Special Town Meeting Warrant Article 2, "to Transfer Funds to the Fire Department Salary Account", in the amount of \$34,000. The vote was 5-0-0.

Chief Quinn presented the Board with information on the Annual Town Meeting Warrant Article to fund and hire an EMS Officer in the Fire Department. Mr. Dunford stated that he would like to see a full analysis of the Fire Department's operating procedure before considering additional staff.

Mr. Fuller stated that while he supports the principle of the article, he does not feel that it is the right time to add staff, due to the ongoing contract negotiations. The Board discussed the possibility of commissioning a study of the operation and staffing of the Fire Department.

Vote to Approve Debt Exclusion Ballot Question for FY13 Capital Projects:
(02:00:32)

The Board discussed placing a debt exclusion Ballot Question for FY2013 for the Orleans Elementary School Playground replacement and repair. Mr. Dunford requested additional information on the project.

On a motion by Mr. McGrath, and seconded by Mrs. Christie, the Board voted to place a question on the 2012 May Annual Town Election Ballot, for debt exclusion purposes, to fund the Orleans Elementary School Playground replacement project. The vote was 4-1-0, Mr. Dunford voted no.

Mr. Kelly presented the Board with the draft of the Annual and Special Town Meeting Warrant Articles.

On a motion by Mr. Fuller, and seconded by Mr. McGrath, the Board voted to place and recommend an article on the Annual Town Meeting Warrant "to Fund Group Health Insurance Mitigation Fund Distribution in the amount of \$101,088." The vote was 4-0-1; Mrs. Fulcher abstained from the vote.

On a motion by Mr. McGrath, and seconded by Mrs. Christie, the Board voted to place and recommend approval of an article on the Annual Town

Meeting Warrant “to Fund Engineering for Water Tank #1” in the amount of \$50,000. The vote was 5-0-0.

On a motion by Mr. McGrath, and seconded by Mrs. Christie, the Board voted to place an article on the Annual Town Meeting Warrant “to Fund Rehabilitation for Water Tank #2.” The vote was 5-0-0.

On a motion by Mrs. Christie, and seconded by Mr. McGrath, the Board voted to place an article on the Annual Town Meeting Warrant “to Fund OES Playground”. The vote was 4-1-0; Mr. Dunford voted no.

On a motion by Mr. McGrath, and seconded by Mr. Dunford, , the Board voted to place an article on the Annual Town Meeting Warrant “to Fund CPA program projects.” The vote was 5-0-0.

On a motion by Mr. McGrath, and seconded by Mrs. Christie, the Board voted to place an article on the Annual Town Meeting Warrant “to Acquire Conservation a Restriction on the Twining Road Property.” The vote was 5-0-0.

On a motion by Mr. McGrath, and seconded by Mrs. Christie, the Board voted to include the 2.5% increase on \$150,000 for the Water Quality Drainage Improvement, for a total amount of \$153,750. The vote was 5-0-0.

On a motion by Mr. McGrath, and seconded by Mrs. Christie, the Board voted to place and recommend approval of an article on the Annual Town Meeting Warrant “to Fund Water Quality Drainage Improvements” in the amount of \$153,750. The vote was 5-0-0.

On a motion by Mr. McGrath, and seconded by Mrs. Christie, the Board voted to include the statutory 2.5% increase on the Pavement Management Program funding, for a total \$307,500. The vote was 5-0-0.

On a motion by Mr. McGrath, and seconded by Mr. Fuller, the Board voted to place and recommend approval of an article on the Annual Town Meeting Warrant “to Fund Town Pavement Management Program” in the amount of \$307,500. The vote was 5-0-0.

On a motion by Mr. McGrath, and seconded by Mr. Fuller, the Board voted to place and recommend approval of an article on the Annual Town Meeting Warrant “to Adopt MGL Ch 44 Sec 53 ½ Revolving Accounts” as presented in the March 23, 2012 draft warrant. The vote was 5-0-0.

On a motion by Mr. McGrath, and seconded by Mr. Fuller, the Board voted to place and recommend approval of an article on the Annual Town Meeting Warrant “to Fund Stabilization Fund Future OPEB payments” in the amount of \$150,000. The vote was 5-0-0.

On a motion by Mr. McGrath, and seconded by Mrs. Christie, the Board voted to place and recommend approval of an article on the Annual Town Meeting Warrant "to Fund Stabilization Fund-General" in the amount of \$100,000. The vote was 5-0-0.

On a motion by Mr. McGrath, and seconded by Mrs. Christie, the Board voted to place and recommend approval of an article on the Annual Town Meeting Warrant "to Fund Building and Maintenance Stabilization Fund" in the amount of \$365,000. The vote was 5-0-0.

On a motion by Mrs. Christie, and seconded by Mr. Fuller, the Board voted to place an article on the Annual Town Meeting Warrant "to Fund Orleans Chamber of Commerce" in the amount of \$20,450. The vote was 5-0-0.

On a motion by Mr. McGrath, and seconded by Mr. Dunford, the Board voted to place an article on the Annual Town Meeting Warrant "to Fund Human Services Agencies" in the amount of \$63,163. The vote was 5-0-0.

On a motion by Mr. McGrath, and seconded by Mr. Dunford, the Board voted to place and recommend approval of an article on the Annual Town Meeting Warrant "to Fund July 4th Celebration Activities" in the amount of \$8,000. The vote was 5-0-0.

Adjourn: (02:54:44)

On a motion by Mr. Dunford, and seconded by Mr. Fuller, the Board voted to adjourn. The vote was 5-0-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Kristen Holbrook


Jon R. Fuller, Clerk

