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FINANCE COMMITTEE MINUTES

The May 5, 2011 meeting of the Orleans Finance Committee was convened by Chairman Larry Hayward at 5:00 p.m. in the Nauset Room of the Orleans Town Hall. Present constituting a quorum were Vice Chairman, Ms. Gwen Holden Kelly, Members, Mr. John Hodgson, Mr. Ed Barr, Mr. Rick Sigel, Mr. William Weil and Mr. Dale Fuller. Members absent were Mr. Mark Carron and Mr. Paul Rooker.

Guests:

~~Jon Fuller, Selectman Liaison~~

Public Speak:

:20 on Video Tape

None

Review of Article 2 Vote at Last Meeting

Vice Chairman, Ms. Gwen Holden Kelly discussed the motion to rescind the vote on Article 2 that was taken at the meeting held on April 28th (4/3/0) which actually did not have the required two thirds vote (needed at least five affirmative votes) and therefore let the record show that the motion was defeated.

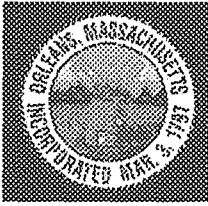
Approval of Minutes: 1:46 on Video Tape

Chairman Hayward dispensed the approval of the previous minutes until the next meeting as we had limited time to discuss other business matters.

Boards, Committee and Department Reports:

2:26 on Video Tape

Acting Chairman Holden-Kelly reported on the Board of Selectman's Pre-Town meeting that was held on May 3rd. This meeting was held to review all the articles that were being presented at the annual town. Two items that took a considerable amount of time in discussions were Articles 4 & 35 on the wastewater issue and Articles 8 & 9 concerning the water drainage and pavement programs. The BOS had asked Mr. John Kelly to meet with the petitioners (Article 35) and see if they could come up with an amended Article 4 that would be mutually agreed upon. At the BOS meeting held on May 4th it was stated that progress has been made concerning amending Article 4 and that there was one outstanding issue left to discuss which they felt would be settled prior to the annual meeting. The main thrust concerning Articles 8 & 9 was what can be done if the required



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two thirds vote is not obtained during the annual town meeting. A possible alternative would be to substitute the same Articles with a modification to borrow the necessary funds to support the programs.

Mr. Sigel reported on the BOS meeting held on May 4th. At the meeting Mr. David Withrow reported that the local receipts are on target and the state receipts for funding Chapter 70 are also on target. The Board voted unanimously in favor of Article 33 concerning the leasing of the Putnam property for agriculture. On a side note it was stated that the town census figures show a total of 6,259 of which 271 are listed as inactive voters for a total of 5,988 which is 98 more than the national census figure of 5,890.

Town Budget Review:

9:55 on Video Tape

Chairman Hayward noted that the committee needed to vote on Articles 4 and 35 (Wastewater) along with Article 1 Free Cash and Article 31 Bills on Prior Year. Since we do not have the final figures for Articles 1 and 31 we will vote on them at our pre-town meeting which has been scheduled for 6:00 PM on May 9th. Also since we do not have a copy of the amended Article 4 we will need to hold off on voting until the pre-town meeting. Mr. Jon Fuller stated that if the amendment is approved by the BOS then it will most likely be proposed at the time of the reading of Article 4 at the town meeting and the petitioners would postpone their Article 35.

Review Warrant Article Presentations:

19:35 on Video Tape

Chairman Hayward read his pro presentation and Mr. Barr read his con presentation for Article 2 Town School Budget. Mr. Hodgson read his con presentation for Article 3 CIP. It was agreed that Mr. Barr will do both the pro and con presentation for Article 6 CPA Projects. Chairman Hayward read his presentation for Articles 8 & 9 Water Quality Drainage and Pavement Management programs both of which require an over ride. Mr. D. Fuller read his presentation on Article 10 Replace the Town Piers, Docks, Ramps. Mr. Sigel read his presentation both pro and con for Articles 29, 30 and 31 all relating to Fees.

Other Business:

79:05 on Video Tape



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Mr. D. Fuller brought up the subject of the school playground issue in which reports have been submitted by the insurance carrier and two independent studies. He requested that this item be added to our follow-up list. Vice Chairman Ms. Holden Kelly stated we should identify the items such as but not limited to the waste water study, school choice study, pavement program, and school playground issue, and assign a member to each of these important items and report any developments on a ongoing basis. A list of these items will be made up for our next meeting and added to our follow-up list. Chairman Hayward noted that since we are meeting on May 9th it was agreed that we need not meet on Thursday and he will cancel the May 12th meeting.

Adjournment: 83:40 *on Video Tape*

There being no further business before the committee the meeting was adjourned at 6:24 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

William Weil
Acting Secretary

Next Meeting:

Thursday May 26, 2011 at 7:00 pm in the Nauset Room at the Town Office Building.