

**SELECTMEN'S MINUTES (SPECIAL MEETING)
November 15, 1999**

Present – Herman Kabakoff, F. Dore' Hunter, Peter Ashton, Wayne Friedrichs, William Shupert. The Town Manager and Assistant were present; (The meeting was NOT televised) and was held in the Performing Arts room of the High School beginning at 4:00 p.m.

CITIZEN'S CONCERNS

NONE

PUBLIC HEARINGS AND APPOINTMENTS

NONE

SELECTMEN'S BUSINESS

ARTICLE 1 - DORE' HUNTER - Move that the Board recommend Article 1.
PETER ASHTON – Second. 3-2 Motion Carries Kabakoff and Friedrichs No.

Wayne asked about the cap and the wording being different. He asked if this was a cap to general taxpayers. Trey and Dore' agreed that it was what he perceived. Herman on record is publicly against this because he will be voting for article 3. He felt that this would be a case that if it passes at 1.3 million we will have won the battle and we will lose the war. He said we have a possibility of one million going off the tax base and then 1.3 and that means 2.3 million and we have a possibility that the 5.5 million number that the school has given us compared to the 3.7 million and that means in total we will be looking at 8 million out of the 25 million. He thinks we are going to get a yes vote on 3, and he said we should look at the consequence of passing 1. John did \$1.3 million on tax rate and it came to \$9.00 on the average tax bill. Herman feels that voters will be influenced by cost.

Dore' said the people in the district feel strongly on this and feels that it will influence each article. He would hate to see us vote sewerage and have a section of town go away feeling that their concerns were not heard. Trey said the last thing he wants is to win the war and lose the battle. He said that town meeting listens to people that speak at town meeting. He feels that in his view we have, two issues in Article 1:, the 2/3 vote and also applying to the 1.3 million to the general public. If we vote no on three we will still have the costs coming back. He said that Haartz would like to be in the system. We could assess future user fees. And the 1 million will be recovered in the future. He feels it is a vote the community needs to make.

Peter said that article strikes a balance between the two. It is his understanding that we are one of the few towns at this time going forward at 100% user supported. He said that sewers are a far better result, public health and the protection of water and

second we will realize the economic development and the improvements that will take place.

John Prendiville made a point on 5.5 million; he said we would have to fund at least 22%.

Nancy reminded that the 5.5 million is just the cost, and interest will have to be paid later if schools build their own system..

ARTICLE 2 – TREY SHUPERT – Moved to Recommend Article 2 – PETER ASHTON – Second. UNANIMOUS VOTE

ARTICLE 3 – TREY SHUPERT – Moved that the board recommend ARTICLE 3 DORE' HUNTER - Second. Unanimous vote.

Dore' noted that it has development merits and feels that we need to support this Article. Every time we delay the cost goes up and the State and Federal funds disappear. He feels it is the best chance and feels we have no choice but to vote it

Wayne supports article 3 we have a 5.5 school fix to cover plus the 2 million for costs. He thinks looking at the 17 million it is big bang for the buck. Dore' said we succeed big in the funding.

Art Gagne' as a citizen said we have been doing this from 1966 and we are still trying with the opportunity to get something that will be good for the Town. He said just think what it would cost to replace our water.

ARTICLE 4-16 - DORE' HUNTER Moved to Recommend Articles 4-16 with the exception of Article 5 which is no longer needed. TREY SHUPERT – Second. UNANIMOUS VOTE.

ARTICLE 17 - DORE' HUNTER – Moved to recommend Article 17 assuming Article 3 loses. If three wins we will move to pass over. TREY SHUPERT – Second. UNANIMOUS VOTE.

Herman and Wayne discussed the \$3.5 to \$5.5 million verbal report and can't support this. Peter said it is based on EarthTech report and school committee voted on this \$5.5 last week and it does not cover replacing ball fields. The last minute number bothered Herman. Dore' said that he did not have a problem as this is a bonding article and the moneyt can't be used it for furnishings.

ARTICLE 18 – DORE' HUNTER – Moved .to use if Article 3 fails to site leach fields on land owned by the region. TREY SHUPERT – Second. UNANIMOUS VOTE

ARTICLE 19 – DORE' HUNTER – Moved to recommend if Article 3 is defeated. WAYNE FRIEDRICHS –Second. 3-2 VOTE carries. Kabakoff and Friedrichs No.

Herman is against this and feels that this would open it up to a point that it would be bad for the town. Wayne feels the same and would tend to agree since the Board of Health does not support.

ARTICLE 20 – WAYNE FRIEDRICHS Moved to Recommend. PETER ASHTON – Second. UNANIMOUS VOTE.

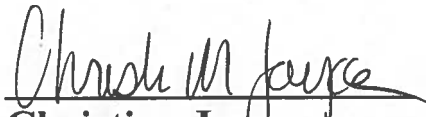
Wayne explained the two types of systems. This will put the enabling legislation in place for the future.

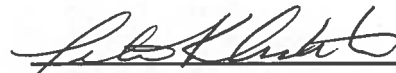
ARTICLE 21 – HERMAN KABAKOFF – Moved to Approve. TREY SHUPERT – Second. UNANIMOUS VOTE


DORE' HUNTER - Moved that the Board of Selectmen instruct the Town Manager to take the appropriate steps to implement a separate MFPBSG account through a Sewage Enterprise Fund. PETER ASHTON – Second. UNANIMOUS VOTE.

DORE' HUNTER – Moves the Board to Selectmen instruct the Treasurer to finance the MFPBSD Project if approved through a 20 vs. 30 year borrowing schedule. WAYNE FRIEDRICHS – Second. Mr. Hunter moved to withdraw his motion.

Meeting continued to Town Meeting in the High School Field House.


Christine Joyce


Clerk


Date

November 12, 1999

TO: Board of Selectmen

FROM: Herman Kabakoff, Chairman

SUBJECT: Selectmen's Report

AGENDA
NOVEMBER 15, 1999
4:00 P.M. – Music Room of the High School

I. CITIZEN'S CONCERNS

II. PUBLIC HEARINGS & APPOINTMENTS

None Scheduled

III. SELECTMEN'S BUSINESS

1. SPECIAL TOWN MEETING DISCUSSION AND VOTES
2. OTHER BUSINESS

IV. CONSENT AGENDA

None Required

V. TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

VI. EXECUTIVE SESSION

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Enclosed please find additional correspondence that is strictly informational and requires no Board action.

FUTURE AGENDAS

To facilitate scheduling for interested parties, the following items are scheduled for discussion on future agendas. This IS NOT a complete Agenda.

Nov. 23- Classification Hearing
Dec. 7
Dec. 21

FY 2000 GOALS

1. Resolve the Audubon Hill problem/issues (Shupert)
2. Establish or reconstitute a Computer Advisory Committee for Municipal issues (Hunter)
3. Review the structure and organization of the ALG and establish a definite, periodic meeting schedule (Kabakoff)
4. Develop a comprehensive Beaver Nuisance policy (Friedrichs)
5. Improve communication among the various boards, particularly Fincom, SC and BOS. This seems to have been lacking to some extent during the last year (especially ALG process) (Kabakoff)
6. Continue to search all alternatives for a viable sewer solution that is timely and fiscally workable (Hunter/Shupert)
7. Form a task force to investigate ways of achieving greater coordination, efficiency and utilization of resources between the schools and the town (Ashton)
8. Continue the work of the Senior Tax Relief task force and also investigate ways of assisting others who may need tax relief (Ashton/Hunter)
9. Develop early on an ALG plan and budget; i.e. have general agreement on budgetary parameters by October/November before formal budgets are developed. Continue to update, refine and modify as needed the five year budgetary plans which we initiated this year (Kabakoff)
10. Work with the Planning Board to implement the goals, objectives and strategies of the Master Plan update (Ashton/Shupert)
11. Conclude the work of the Kelley's Corner working group and bring to the Planning Board a final set of recommendations (Ashton)