



BOARD OF SELECTMEN

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Paul R. Szatkowski, Selectman

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MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING

Monday, March 8, 2010
7:00 p.m.

CJH Municipal Center – Meeting Room “A”

PRESENT: First Selectman Knickerbocker and Selectman Straiton. **Absent:** Selectman Szatkowski.

First Selectman Knickerbocker called the Special Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

FY 2010-2011 Budget Deliberation

First Selectman Knickerbocker advised that he called this special meeting as he would like to make additional adjustments to the FY 2010-2011 proposed budget prior to presentation to the Board of Finance. First Selectman Knickerbocker made a motion, which was seconded by Selectman Straiton, to re-open FY 2010-2011 Budget Deliberations. Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved.

130 Town Clerk	FY 2010-2011 Budget Request	\$214,780
	Board of Selectmen Recommendation	\$211,580

First Selectman Knickerbocker made a motion, which was seconded by Selectman Straiton, to fund Account 130 – Town Clerk at \$211,580. Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved. This provides for a reduction to 130-305 Codification/Microfilming of \$2,000, a reduction to 130-304 Mileage of \$200 and 130-313 Contracted Services of \$1,000.

140 Assessor	FY 2010-2011 Budget Request	\$204,876
	Board of Selectmen Recommendation	\$185,496

First Selectman Knickerbocker made a motion, which was seconded by Selectman Straiton, to recommend to the Board of Finance, funding Account 140 – Assessor at \$185,496. Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved. This provides for a reduction to 140-201 Office Expense by \$2,000 and 140-313 Contracted Services by \$200. Previously, the Board of Selectmen reduced the original request by \$17,180.

180 Building Inspection	FY 2010-2011 Budget Request	\$210,349
	Board of Selectmen Recommendation	\$207,899

First Selectman Knickerbocker made a motion, which was seconded by Selectman Straiton, to recommend to the Board of Finance, funding Account 180 – Building Inspection at \$207,899. Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved. This provides for a reduction to 180-201 Office Expense by \$950 and 180-301 Dues and Education of \$1,500.

200 Social Services	FY 2010-2011 Budget Request	\$59,188
	Board of Selectmen Recommendation	\$58,038

First Selectman Knickerbocker made a motion, which was seconded by Selectman Straiton, to recommend to the Board of Finance, funding Account 200 Social Services at \$58,038. Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved. This provides for a reduction to 200-301 Dues and Education of \$500, 200-302 Mileage of \$150 and 200-361 Eviction-Storage of \$500.

220 Fleet Maintenance	FY 2010-2011 Budget Request	\$357,729
	Board of Selectmen Recommendation	\$330,773

First Selectman Knickerbocker made a motion, which was seconded by Selectman Straiton, to recommend to the Board of Finance, funding Account 220 – Fleet Maintenance at \$330,773. Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved. This provides for a correction to the amount that the Board of Selectmen is recommending. Previously the radios were removed from the funding request but the funding was still included. Previously, the Board of Selectmen reduced the original request by \$26,956

240 Highway Department	FY 2010-2011 Budget Request	\$2,255,068
	Board of Selectmen Recommendation	\$1,565,191

First Selectman Knickerbocker made a motion, which was seconded by Selectman Straiton, to recommend to the Board of Finance, funding Account 240 – Highway Department at \$1,565,191. Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved. This provides for a reduction to 240-105 Part time Salaries of \$22,464 and 240-207

Maintenance and Repairs of \$2,870. Previously, the Board of Selectmen reduced the original request by \$664,543.

260 Building Maintenance	FY 2010-2011 Budget Request	\$936,200
	Board of Selectmen Recommendation	\$740,150

First Selectman Knickerbocker made a motion, which was seconded by Selectman Straiton, to recommend to the Board of Finance, funding Account 260 – Building Maintenance at \$740,150. Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved. This provides funding the 260-405 Capital Construction at \$105,500 for the following:

PW Garage:

- Replace six exterior doors \$ 9,000
- New furnace for Mechanics Garage \$ 9,000
- Repair broken siding \$ 5,000
- Repair support columns \$ 8,000
- Replace gutters \$ 2,500
- Replace roof exhaust penetrations \$ 5,000
- Repair garage doors \$10,000
- New tile in hallways, office, lunchroom \$ 3,500

High School

- Caulking around building perimeter \$30,000

Bennett Property

- Retaining wall and concrete sidewalk to bridge \$ 7,500

Stony Hill Firehouse

- Install low voltage door security hardware \$16,000

The total reduction to this account is \$196,050. First Selectman Knickerbocker is still recommending that \$493,200 be considered for funding in a bond package which would provide funding to replace old shingle roofing and install new gutters at the Municipal Center (\$71,000), paint all trim on exterior of Municipal Center (\$15,000), replace shingle roof and some decking & repairs at the YMCA Building (\$50,000), repoint brick exterior of building and remove upper part of west chimney at the YMCA Building (\$55,000), replace garage for animal dropoff at the Animal Shelter (\$20,000), paint building and metal roof/replace lights at the Animal Shelter (\$15,000), repairs to Salt Storage Building at the Public Works Garage (\$32,200), replace boilers and appurtenances at Johnson School (\$215,000) and replace pedestrian bridge at Bennett Park (\$20,000).

300 Fire Marshal	FY 2010-2011 Budget Request	\$90,950
	Board of Selectmen Recommendation	\$87,750

First Selectman Knickerbocker made a motion, which was seconded by Selectman Straiton, to recommend to the Board of Finance, funding Account 300 – Fire Marshal at \$87,750. Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved. This provides for a reduction to 300-201 Office Expense of \$1,200. Previously, the Board of Selectmen reduced the original request by \$2,000.

340	Boards & Commissions FY 2010-2011 Budget Request	\$121,767
	Board of Selectmen Recommendation	\$117,767

First Selectman Knickerbocker made a motion, which was seconded by Selectman Straiton, to recommend to the Board of Finance, funding Account 340 – Town Boards & Commissions at \$117,767. Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved. This provides for a reduction to 340-506 ZBA by \$1,000 and 340-507 Inland-Wetlands by \$3,000.

350	Health Department	FY 2010-2011 Budget Request	\$265,101
		Board of Selectmen Recommendation	\$260,489

First Selectman Knickerbocker made a motion, which was seconded by Selectman Straiton, to recommend to the Board of Finance, funding Account 350 – Health Department at \$260,489. Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved. This provides for a reduction to 350-201 Office Expense by \$174 and 350-313 Contracted Services of \$4,438.

360	Police Department	FY 2010-2011 Budget Request	\$3,545,061
		Board of Selectmen Recommendation	\$3,535,511

First Selectman Knickerbocker made a motion, which was seconded by Selectman Straiton, to recommend to the Board of Finance, funding Account 360 – Police Department at \$3,535,511. Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved. This provides for an increase to 360-403 Capital Equipment of \$5,425, an increase to 360-313 Contracted Services of \$2,225, a reduction to 360-306 Professional Services of \$3,000, an increase to 360-254 Bicycle Patrol of \$825 and a reduction to 360-206 Equipment & Supplies of \$100. Previously, the Board of Selectmen reduced the original request by \$14,925.

380	Parks & Recreation	FY 2010-2011 Budget Request	\$917,343
		Board of Selectmen Recommendation	\$881,639

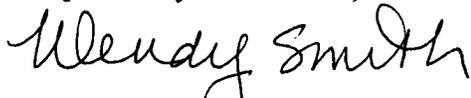
First Selectman Knickerbocker made a motion, which was seconded by Selectman Straiton, to recommend to the Board of Finance, funding Account 380 – Parks & Recreation at \$881,639. Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved. This provides

for a reduction to 380-206 Maintenance & Supplies of \$1,308 and 380-316 Programs of \$396. Previously, the Board of Selectmen reduced the original request by \$34,000.

The new total town and education FY 2010-2011 budget is \$62,397,048

As there was no further business on tonight's agenda, First Selectman Knickerbocker made a motion, which was seconded by Selectman Straiton, to adjourn the Special Meeting at 8:25 p.m. Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Wendy Smith".

Wendy Smith, Recording Secretary