

Town of Newington, NH

Budget Committee

Meeting Minutes for Wednesday, February 13, 2013

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Call to Order: Chair John Lamson called the February 9, 2013 meeting at 6:30 PM.

Present: Vice Chair Gail Klanchesser, Gail Pare, Sandy Sweeney, Selectmen's Rep, Jack O'Reilly,
School Board Rep, Dave Mueller

Absent: Janis Marconi, Mike Marconi, Mary Crossley

Public Guests: Steve Bush, George Cushing, George and Ruth Fletcher, Lee Lamson, Deirdre Link, Jim Katkin, Granville Knox, NPS Principal Peter Latchaw, Justin Richardson, Grace Simms, Bill Sweeney, Doreen Stern, Rick Stern, Jan Stuart, Fire Chief Dale Sylvia, Theresa Tomlinson, Chief of Police Jon Tretter, Larry Wahl, Jim Weiner

Minutes Approval: *Gail Pare moved to approve the Minutes of the January 23, 2013 Meeting. Gail Klanchesser seconded. All were in favor and motion passed 6-0*

Newington School District 2013 Operating Budget:

Article 1: *Gail Pare moved to recommend raising and appropriating the Newington School Budget for \$1,899,041 (One Million, Eight Hundred Ninety-Nine Thousand and Forty-One Dollars) to support schools, pay salaries for school district officials and agents, and for the payment for statutory obligations of the district. Gail Klanchesser seconded. Dave Mueller abstained, and all were in favor.*

Prior to closing the public hearing for the final vote, Budget Committee Chair, John Lamson said the Budget Committee and the Board of Selectmen were in agreement with this year's budget proposal. SAU 50 District Business Administrator, Jim Katkin reviewed the budget, noting that revenue is up, and there was an 8.1% increase in the budget of \$33,307. \$33,000 of the increase is due to an increase in health insurance costs for SAU50, which includes Greenland, Portsmouth, New Castle, Newington and Rye schools which have had an increase in health problems, primarily cancer.

Mr. Katkin said they also hired a new technology director in hopes of reviewing expenses for better management to contain costs.

Newington pays 13.9% of the SAU budget, plus tuition costs of \$14,277 per student going to Portsmouth High School, and \$16,427 per student going to Portsmouth Middle School with fewer students there to divide the expense of the new building construction.

Justin Richardson asked for a breakdown of how residential, commercial and industrial taxes are applied, and Jack O'Reilly said it was 80/20, but is probably around 70/30 now.

Article 2: *Gail Klanchesser moved to recommend approval of the cost included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Newington School Board and the Association of Coastal Teachers, raising and appropriating the sum of \$10,381 (Ten Thousand, Three Hundred and Eighty-One Dollars) for the current, 2013-2014 fiscal year, representing additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits required by the new agreement over those paid at current staffing levels (in addition to Warrant Article 1, the District's the operating budget), and the estimated increases of \$10,667 for Fiscal Year 2014-2015, and \$10,527 for Fiscal Year 2015-2016. Gail Pare seconded the motion, and all were in favor 6-0.*

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Final vote was taken after closing the public hearing, followed by a brief recess to sign documentation.

2013 General Government Operating Budget:

Article 9: Sandy Sweeney moved to recommend accepting the General Government Operating Budget for the amount of \$6,216,282 (Six Million, Two Hundred Sixteen Thousand, Two Hundred and Eighty-Two Dollars). Gail Pare seconded, and all were in favor, 6-0.

John Lamson announced that the vote was for the entire budget, which included previous discussions of individual departments. Prior to closing the public hearing for the final vote additional discussions ensued.

Noting that a separate warrant article for the library construction would be presented, Justin Richardson said that RSA: 202:A11:II says a separate budget request shall be submitted for library construction, and he thought Warrant Article 3 is asking for appropriation, but not submitted as a budget request. Budget Chair, John Lamson said it was discussed, but it was not clear how to proceed. Larry Wahl said when he was Chair of the Budget Committee they always put special projects requiring extra financing on warrant articles. Justin Richardson agreed with their summaries, and noted that the Municipal Finance Act defines a bond as a special warrant request, but found RSA 202A11:II to be confusing. Richardson said he didn't think any municipal law practitioner would know the answer, but noted that the Budget Committee hadn't discussed it in detail. Gail Pare said the Budget Committee reviews normal yearly budget items, but that major projects requiring funding beyond one fiscal year are reviewed separately as bonds. John Lamson and Gail Klanchesser said this was the first time they'd seen the issue brought up in an RSA. Richardson said that answered his question then.

Larry Wahl said there were no figures listed for utilities under the Langdon Library in the Selectmen's buildings section - Trustees, and John Lamson said it was carried over to page 13 and 14. Gail Pare said there are problems with removing lines in the computer system. Jack O'Reilly announced that it was realized this year that there is an RSA that says the Library Trustees can have their own checkbook and treasurer.

John Lamson said resident Sue Smith wasn't able to attend the meeting due to a disability, but asked if more funds would be spent on for an updated Town website. Jack O'Reilly said yes, money is already there, so it doesn't require a warrant article, and a bid will be put out later in the year.

John Lamson asked about approval for a new streetlight on McIntyre Road, and Jack O'Reilly said it probably wouldn't be approved.

Chair Lamson asked about the support of COAST bus lines, which supports 70% of the local businesses, and Jack O'Reilly said Newington was the only town that hadn't paid anything for 24 years, and it supports mass transportation for cleaner air.

Jack O'Reilly noted that the Chief of Police opted not to get new cruisers this year. John Lamson said he was impressed how departments do their best to operate their departments in a cost effective manner without padding their budgets.

Article 3: Gail Pare moved to recommend raising and appropriating the sum of \$1,890,627 (One Million, Eight Hundred Ninety Thousand, Six Hundred and Twenty-Seven Dollars) for an addition, repairs, renovations, and upgrades to the town's Langdon Library and grounds, and to authorize the issuance of not more than \$1,890,627 of bonds or notes in accordance with the provision of RSA 33, and to authorize municipal officials to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes, and to determine the rate of interest thereon. Jack O'Reilly seconded the motion. At the final vote Gail Klanchesser and

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Dave Mueller abstained. Jack O'Reilly said he would call counsel to see if his vote was permissible. All others voted in favor, and outcome of 4-0-2 or 3-1-2 to be fully determined. BOS voted 2-1 not to recommend. After research the final vote was 4-0-2.

BOS voted 2-1 not to recommend. Prior to closing the public hearing for the final vote additional discussions ensued.

Langdon Library Board of Trustees Chair, Steve Bush presented a review of their activities which included using \$50,000 appropriated last year to hire a library consultant to analyze the buildings condition and use. A series of public forums, and a survey was sent out to get feedback from residents, which provided 140 responses, and it was determined that a certain number of square feet was recommended to service the community's needs. A building consultant found structural cracks in the attic beams and the basement sills that would require the removal of the historical collection stored in the attic. An architect was hired to come up with a building plan, which was condensed down from the library consultant's original recommendations, but still included ADA building compliance for handicapped patrons, and a sprinkler system, with a guaranteed maximum price.

Jim Weiner asked what would happen to repairs if the expansion plan wasn't passed. Steve Bush said they would still have a building with structural problems, requiring the books to be removed from the attic, and a determination of where to store them safely, or whether to discard them. It would also be necessary to determine what to do with the attic space that would only be adequate for light storage. Granville Knox asked how they would get the money for repairs if the warrant article for the expansion didn't go through, and Bush said they would present an amendment at town meeting with a warrant article for \$450,000 that was already written out. Justin Richardson asked how much would be put into the Capital Reserve. Steve Bush said they would put in \$50,000 for emergency repairs, and \$350,000 to \$500,000 for the total repairs. Jack O'Reilly reminded them that RSA 32:18 says requests can be raised or lowered by 10%. John Lamson asked if the warrant article would only cover emergency repairs, and Steve Bush said yes, and Bush said repairs at a cost \$350,000 would practically be a rebuild, and there still wouldn't be any additional space or improvements to services at that cost.

Sandy Sweeney asked if the repairs would take care of the ADA requirements, and Steve Bush said it would not, but because it is a historical building, they are not required to be ADA compliant.

Rick Stern said sprinklers would not be required if just repairing the building also. Jack O'Reilly agreed, and said he thought sprinklers would only be necessary if putting on a new addition. Fire Chief, Dale Sylvia said he had not committed to anything on the record because it would depend if any changes were made, such as remodeling the stairs during the repairs. Jack O'Reilly asked if sprinklers would be required if an addition were added later, and Chief Sylvia said yes, sprinklers would need to be added to the entire building once an addition was added. Gail Pare asked what modern sprinklers would be like, if they would be visible or if they would need to tear the ceiling down if they put on an addition after doing repairs first. Chief Sylvia said he couldn't say what kinds of sprinklers would be chosen.

Ruth Fletcher asked why the Board of Selectmen hadn't updated the water system to adequately service the Library, Old Meeting House, Old Parsonage, Old Town Hall, Town Garage, and the homes that are at that end of town. Jack O'Reilly said it is a dead ended system without much water pressure. Ruth asked how many people could gather at the Old Town Hall, and Jan Stuart said 120-130. Ruth then asked if the Selectmen thought it a safe place should a fire break out if the water pressure is poor. Larry Wahl said the pipe now in the Historic District was run from a well behind the Frink Farm as a town center water supply before Pease Air Base came in the 1950's. That pipe was simply incorporated into the town wide water supply that was install in the 1960's – decades later. The pipe may have been a 6" pipe, but flow has been reduced from built up scale. Mr. Wahl said an 8" pipe would improve the flow, but not the pressure, and a loop wouldn't increase pressure either because the area is too high.

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Wahl said water was sucked out and burned out several water heaters in the Library until check valves were installed when he was Fire Chief. Wahl said a solution was requested 30 years ago, and thinks the Board of Selectmen should compare options and costs. John Lamson asked Steve Bush what the cost of a cistern and pipes would be. Steve Bush said \$172,459, and the Library currently has occupancy of 30-40 people at a time. Ruth Fletcher said that a cistern would only be for one building and wouldn't solve the problem for others in that end of Town. Ruth asked the Selectmen if it was not their responsibility to solve, and Jack O'Reilly said it was, but they thought the City of Portsmouth was going to bring water lines through years ago. Justin Richardson said he is a municipal utilities attorney, and thinks a cistern would be a lot of money for the Library, which is closed 5 nights a week. Richardson said someone needs to speak to the City of Portsmouth who provides water to the Town of Newington, residents pay the City of Portsmouth's expenses with their water bills, and they have to provide the same quality outside of Portsmouth as in. Jack O'Reilly agreed that a cistern would be a waste and shouldn't be included in the warrant article. Ruth Fletcher said she thought improvements to the water lines should not come out of the Library budget, but should come out of the Town budget. Jan Stuart said it was news to her, but the Library expansion proposal brought it to the forefront, and if it is determined that it's a priority, then the Library expansion would need to be put on the back burner. Rick Stern said they never had a fire in Town that couldn't be put out. John Lamson asked if the warrant article passed, could \$170,000 be changed and put into pipeline improvements. Jack O'Reilly said it could. Steve Bush said the cistern and sprinklers were included in case they were needed for approval. Lee Lamson said the total costs were broken down, and if something is not necessary like a cistern, then it wouldn't be borrowed or it would go toward something else. Justin Richardson said the architect had said during the bond hearing that the Fire Chief told them they would need sprinklers. Chief Sylvia again said to clarify the record that he told the architect they would need sprinklers if they remodeled, but might not for repairs. Jim Weiner asked if the water discussion should be tabled until it is determined if it is the City of Portsmouth's responsibility, and then look into the Town resolving the issue. John Lamson said it is not the Budget Committee's job to make recommendations, but it sounded as if everyone is in favor of pipe improvements. Jack O'Reilly said they might be waiting forever for the City of Portsmouth to resolve, but could get further if they were told they would be met half way.

Justin Richardson said he used to be a big user of the Library, but feels he has been barraged with lobbying, and doesn't want to go back anymore. Richardson said he wouldn't be completely against expanding the library, but asked the Budget Committee to review the proposal more carefully before making a recommendation, and said he would like to see the bond for repairs reduced. Richardson said Library use may be up because of the current staff, but could go down if that staff changes, and is afraid the proposal for an addition is too big, doesn't suit the historical district, and should be done carefully, not quickly. Richardson expressed a lack of trust for recommendations made by an architect who is paid on commission. Richardson went on to say the Town could buy residents library passes to the Portsmouth Library at less cost. Ruth Fletcher asked Richardson what made him think everyone would want passes to the Portsmouth Library because she would not. Lee Lamson agreed that few residents would want to go to Portsmouth, noting that there are people that use the Library for tutoring, or puzzles, or the Internet, and agrees that there is a problem with noise, but if they have no space to expand, it will get smaller, and possibly disappear. Richardson said he didn't mean to say everyone should go to Portsmouth, but was saying he thought they could improve service for \$1,000,000 instead of \$2,000,000, and that passes to Portsmouth Library would be a good option. Richardson said he thought the small library did well for the last 40 years with the last expansion, and could continue until all the options were reviewed. Jim Weiner said numbers help make decisions, and would like to know if the Library is being used often by few, or often by many. Weiner went on to say he thought there might

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be some justification if the usage is spread by a majority of many people many times. Steve Bush said Library Director, Scott Campbell didn't have those numbers available, but they know there are 320 resident addresses with Library cards, though there's no way to know if they're all current, and there have been 80-90% of residents added to the current system over the last three years, but due to privacy issues they can't track their transactions. Gail Klanchesser who works at the Library said she sees a mix of some that come in a lot and some that seldom come in. Klanchesser also said statistics reported to the State show the Langdon Library as the 16th highest use per capita out of 283 libraries in the state.

Justin Richardson said that the majority of residents at the Library's public hearing were opposed to the expansion. Theresa Tomlinson said she was there, and only heard five people speak against it, and while many others didn't speak, she thought no one should make assumptions for them. Tomlinson also said the Library committees had been researching and working on proposals for two years, and they began publicizing their activities so residents would know what was going on, keeping in mind that the proposals are based on estimates and are not set in stone.

Justin Richardson noted that the Planning Board went through budget improvements and repairs, but didn't recommend the warrant article for the Library. Jack O'Reilly compared the highway bond budget of \$200,000 for five years, and the Library bond, which would only add 40 cents per thousand to the tax rate. O'Reilly then asked why the building proposal would triple the size of the building, but only half of the increase would be used. Steve Bush said the ADA requires wide aisles and bathrooms for wheelchair accessibility.

After John Lamson closed the public hearing, discussion ensued and Jack O'Reilly said he never saw a committee work so hard and be so transparent.

Gail Pare said she was skeptical in the beginning, but saw three versions of the proposal, with the current proposal much smaller than the original, and now thinks it is a good project. She also said the Historic District Commission is comfortable with the size and general orientation. She said she didn't think anyone was talking about spray cement siding as mentioned by Justin Richardson earlier in the hearing, which the Historic District Commission wouldn't approve of, but knows it would be difficult to match the existing brick of the original building. Pare also said she thought borrowing money now would be as cheap as it is going to be, and putting it off would cost more, so thinks it's a good idea to move forward now with the understanding that a guaranteed maximum cost estimate doesn't mean it will all be spent.

Sandy Sweeney said she thought the committee did a good job in their presentation, and even if she doesn't agree with everything, she thinks people need to decide for themselves, and no one should speak for them, keeping in mind that a 2/3 vote is needed to pass a bond. John Lamson agreed that they would probably get the best percentage rates at this time. Lamson noted that payments for the Town Garage will be off the budget in two years, and people can always say it's cheaper to send the grade school kids to Greenland and contract out the Fire Department, but if Town's people want certain services by dedicated professionals or improvements, then they can bring them before the Town for a vote.

Article 6: Gail Klanchesser moved to recommend that the Selectmen enter into a 10 year lease/purchase agreement for a truck not to exceed the amount of \$460,000 (Four Hundred Sixty Thousand Dollars) for the purposed of leasing a 2013 Fire Truck, and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$54,949 for the first year payment. This lease agreement contains an escape clause. Sandy Sweeney seconded, and all were in favor 6-0.

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Larry Wahl asked for a point of order regarding the 10% listed on the warrant article printed out. Jack O'Reilly said they had to list if changing the overall budget, and that it wouldn't show up during Town Meeting.

When asked to give a review of the purchase proposal, Fire Chief, Dale Sylvia said they were looking to replace their 1977 fire engine with an engine that has water and foam, but that they are still looking and so are other stations. John Lamson asked if they are trying to get an already built or custom engine, and Chief Sylvia said they still need to see if there are any already built available. Gail Pare asked if the \$460,000 would cover the cost of a custom built if they couldn't find one already built, and Sylvia said it would.

Article 7: Gail Klanchesser moved to recommend raising and appropriating \$220,040 (Two Hundred Twenty Thousand, Forty Dollars) for the final payment for the current ladder truck lease/purchase approved at the 2006 Town Meeting – to be offset by the Capital Reserve Fund known as the Replacement and/or Repair of Vehicles Operated by the Fire Department. Jack O'Reilly seconded, and all were in favor 6-0.

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John Lamson said a ladder truck is more expensive, but they would be using the Capital Reserve Fund to pay it off so it wouldn't affect the tax rate.

Article 8: Gail Klanchesser moved to recommend raising and appropriating \$35,000 (Thirty Five Thousand Dollars) to be placed in the existing Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the Replacement and/or Repair of Vehicles Operated by the Fire Department (Note: If Article 6 passes, this article could be reduced to \$15,000). Sandy Sweeney seconded, and all were in favor 6-0.

Article 10: Gail Klanchesser moved to recommend raising and appropriating \$70,000 (Seventy Thousand Dollars) to be added to the existing Expendable Trust Fund established in 2012 under the provisions of RSA 31:19-a known as the Health Plan Deductible Supplement Fund. Sandy Sweeney seconded, and all were in favor 6-0.

Prior to closing the public hearing for the final vote, John Lamson said this fund saved the Town money, and Jack O'Reilly said it saved the Town \$20,000 so far. Justin Richardson asked if it was a lapsing fund, and Jack O'Reilly said it was continuous. John Lamson said they can keep the balance if it's not spent, but if exceeded, then they would have to take it out of the General Funds.

Article 11: Sandy Sweeney moved to recommend raising and appropriating \$25,000 (Twenty Five Thousand Dollars) to be placed in the existing Conservation Fund established in accordance with RSA 36-A:5 to be used for expenses associated with the purchase of Conservation Land and open space, easements, wetlands, and other land management acquisitions. Gail Pare seconded, and all were in favor 6-0.

Prior to closing the public hearing for the final vote discussion ensued. Gail Pare asked if they should look at putting more into the fund. Jack O'Reilly said other towns do more, but they are trying to keep the tax rate down. John Lamson asked if they could go to a warrant article if needed. Justin Richardson said it would be difficult. Jack O'Reilly said they did so with the Kahlsa property purchase, and Richardson added that they partnered with others on that purchase.

Article 12: Gail Klanchesser moved to recommend raising and appropriating \$25,000 (Twenty Five Thousand Dollars) to be placed in the existing Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA

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35:1 for the Replacement of the Town Ambulance and any Major Medical Equipment. Jack O'Reilly seconded, and all were in favor 6-0.

Prior to closing the public hearing for the final vote, Fire Chief Sylvia said an ambulance costs around \$150,000 and thinks they can only get one more year out of the ambulance they have. John Lamson said ambulances are usually only good for ten years so they have put it on a cycle of replacement. Fire Chief Sylvia said they have been under funded because this fund also includes medical equipment.

Article 13: Gail Klanchesser moved to recommend raising and appropriating \$25,000 (Twenty Five Thousand Dollars) to be added to the existing Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the Replacement and/or Major Repairs of Vehicles and equipment operated by the Highway Department. Gail Pare seconded, and all were in favor 6-0.

John Lamson commented that in comparing the budgets of other small towns, the Highway Department's budget is more expensive than the Fire Department's budget, and 60-70% of the town's budget for School School costs. Larry Wahl said they have a 1997 truck that will need replacing, and they used to alternate vehicle purchases with police cruiser purchases. Jack O'Reilly said that there will be more expenses once the DOT turns Woodbury Ave. over to the Town. Rick Stern said they are trying to push that date out.

Article 14: Gail Klanchesser moved to recommend raising and appropriating \$25,000 (Twenty Five Thousand Dollars) to be placed in the existing Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 known as Major Road Work Fund which was established for the purpose of funding major improvements to roadways. Gail Pare seconded, and all were in favor 6-0.

Prior to closing the public hearing for the final vote, Gail Pare asked if roadwork is open ended or builds up to a certain amount. John Lamson said the Planning Board has a rotating schedule for repairs. Jack O'Reilly said they are planning on extending Shattuck Way next.

Article 15: Gail Klanchesser moved to recommend raising and appropriating \$15,000 (Fifteen Thousand Dollars) to be placed in the existing Capital Reserve Fund known as the Police Dept Radio/Electronics Fund established in 1998 (and amended) under the provisions of RSA 35:1, which was established for the purpose of purchasing, replacement or repair of needed electronics and or communications devices. Gail Pare seconded, and all were in favor 6-0.

Prior to closing the public hearing for the final vote, Jim Weiner asked if they will be purchasing additional tasers so all the officers have them. The Chief of Police said there are four that work well and they rotate them among the officers.

Article 16: Gail Klanchesser moved to recommend raising and appropriating \$5,000 (Five Thousand Dollars) to be placed in the existing Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 which was established to fund capital improvements for the Cemetery. Sandy Sweeney seconded, and all were in favor 6-0.

Prior to closing the public hearing for the final vote, Ruth Fletcher asked if the late Cliff Abbott who had served as sexton for many years had been replaced. Jack O'Reilly said Peggy Lamson and Cosmas Iocovozzi were on the committee and they were looking. John Lamson said Cliff Abbott did most of the work for many years. Gail Pare said she thought the cemetery was covered under the general operating budget, and John Lamson said this was for extras, including stonewalls.

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Article 17: Gail Klanchesser moved to recommend raising and appropriating \$15,000 (Fifteen Thousand Dollars) to be added to the existing Capital Reserve Fund established in 2012 under the provisions of RSA 35:1 known as the Stone School Fund. Gail Pare seconded, and all were in favor 6-0.

Article 18: Gail Klanchesser moved to recommend to establish a Capital Reserve Fund to be known as the Fox Point Maintenance Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of maintenance, renovation and improvements of existing facilities and structures at Fox Point and to also include town dock, boat ramp and trails, and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$182,605 (One Hundred Eighty Two Thousand, Six Hundred and five Dollars) to be placed in the fund and to name the Selectmen as agents to expend. This article shall be contingent on the discontinuance of the existing Fox Point Pavilion Capital Reserve Fund (see Article 19). Gail Pare seconded, and all were in favor 6-0.

Prior to closing the public hearing for the final vote, Justin Richardson said Jim Weiner and he have some different views on what to do with Fox Point, but think the article is a good idea, and are in favor of rolling the pavilion fund and the caretaker's fund into one. Jack O'Reilly said that would probably happen next year. Larry Wahl asked if the Fox Point Pavilion was voted out last year, and if they would be reassigning the funds. Justin Richardson said they would be abolishing the fund, and reassigning. Steve Bush asked why the Article 18 didn't get rolled into Article 19. Jack O'Reilly said it will next year, but it would be too long to do this year.

Article 19: Gail Klanchesser moved to recommend that the Town vote to discontinue the Capital Reserve Fund known as the Fox Point Pavilion Fund with said funds and accumulated interest to date of withdrawal to be transferred to the municipality's general fund. If article 18 fails, this article will be null and void. Gail Pare seconded, and all were in favor 6-0.

Prior to closing the public hearing for the final vote there was a discussion on whether the Budget Committee should vote on an article that didn't list a specific sum. Jack O'Reilly felt it would be better to make a motion just in case.

Article 20: Gail Klanchesser moved to recommend raising and appropriating \$15,000 (Fifteen Thousand Dollars) to be added to the existing Capital Reserve established in 2012 under the provisions of RSA 35:1 known as the Residence at Fox Point Fund. The purpose of this fund is for construction and/or improvements to the Residence at Fox Point and affiliated costs. Gail Pare seconded, and all were in favor 6-0.

Adjournment:

Sandy Sweeney moved to adjourn and Gail Klanchesser seconded. All were in favor and the meeting adjourned at 9:30 pm.

Respectfully

Submitted by: Jane K. Kendall, Recording Secretary

Updated by: Gail Klanchesser, Vice-chairman, Newington Budget Committee