Annual Financial Town Meeting May 27, 2004 @ 7:30 P.M.

Barrington High School Auditorium

Total Eligible: Attendance:

12,423

282 @ 7:45 P.M. 356 @ 8:15 P.M.

385 @ 9:00 P.M. 390 @ 9:30 P.M.

Present:

Town Moderator: Allan C. Klepper
 Town Clerk: Lorraine A. Derois

• **Town Council:** Mrs. Scavongelli, Mrs. Speakman, Mr. DePasquale, Mr. Gillooly, Mr. Lazzaro

Town Manager: Dennis M. Phelan

 Appropriations Committee: Ms. Wiegand, Mr. Delaney, Mr. Morris, Mr. Sweetser and Mr. Williams

• **School Committee:** Mrs. DeRienzo, Mrs. Fisher, Mrs. Oberg, Mrs. Thurston and Mr. Guida

• School Superintendent: Ralph Malafronte

The meeting was called to order by the Moderator, Allan C. Klepper, who announced a quorum present.

Mr. Klepper asked everyone to stand and join in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag and to stand for a moment of silence for those serving us in this land and in other lands; he welcomed visitors from Mrs. Geri McCarthy's Economics Class at Barrington High School and provided the electors with an overview of the meeting's agenda and the simplified rules that would be followed as the process unfolds.

Motion by Mr. Morris and seconded by Mr. Delaney to dispense with the reading of the Call, but it is part of the record as it appears on page 410A. Passed unanimously (voice vote).

Motion by Mr. Gillooly and seconded by Mrs. Scavongelli to adopt the following resolution:

RESOLUTION OF THE FINANCIAL TOWN MEETING APPROPRIATING AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$590,000 FOR THE ACQUISITION AND PRESERVATION OF OPEN SPACE AND THE DEVELOPMENT OF PUBLIC RECREATIONAL FACILITIES AND APPROVING THE FINANCING THEREOF THROUGH THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS AND/OR NOTES

Be it resolved that

Section 1. The sum of \$590,000 be appropriated to finance the acquisition and preservation of open space and the development of public recreational facilities (the "Project") and to raise said appropriation, the Treasurer, with the approval of the Town Council, is authorized under Section 45-12-2 of the General Laws Rhode Island and Section 7-1-1 of the Home Rule Charter of the Town, as amended, to issue bonds therefore, to issue temporary notes in anticipation of the issuance of bonds, and to issue refunding bonds pursuant to Section 45-12-5.2.

Section 2. The manner of sale, denominations, maturities, principal amounts, interest rates, and other terms, conditions and details of any bonds or notes issued pursuant to this authority may be fixed by proceedings of the Town Council authorizing the issue or by separate resolution of the Town Council or, to the extent provisions for these matters are not so made, they may be fixed by the officers authorized to sign the bonds or notes. The bonds or notes shall be signed by the Treasurer and by the President of the Town Council.

Section 3. This Resolution is an affirmative action of the Town of Barrington toward the issuance of bonds or notes in accordance with the purposes of the laws of the State. This Resolution constitutes the Town's declaration of official intent pursuant to the Treasury Regulations Section 1.150(2) to reimburse the Town for certain capital expenditures for the Project paid on or after the date which is sixty (60) days prior to the date of this Resolution, but prior to the issuance of the bonds or notes. Amounts to be reimbursed shall not exceed \$590,000 and shall be reimbursed not later than eighteen (18) months after (a) the date on which the expenditure is paid, or (b) the date the Project is placed in service or abandoned, but in no event later than three (3) years after the date the expenditure is paid.

Section 4. The Treasurer and the President of the Town Council are hereby authorized to take all lawful action necessary or desirable under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), to insure that the interest on the bonds and notes will remain exempt from federal income taxation to the extent provided in Section 103 of the Code, and to refrain from taking any action which will cause interest on the bonds and notes to lose the benefit of exclusion from gross income provided by Section 103(a) of the Code. The Treasurer and the President of the Town Council are further

Special Financial Town Meeting October 7, 2003 @ 7:30 P.M. Council Chambers, Barrington Town Hall **Total Eligible 12,448 Attendance: 26**

Present:

• **Town Council:** Mrs. Scavongelli, Mrs. Speakman, Mr. DePasquale, Mr. Gillooly, Mr. Lazzaro

Town Manager: Dennis M. Phelan

• Appropriations Committee: Ms. Wiegand, Mr. Delaney, Mr. Morris, Mr. Williams

Absent:

Appropriations Committee: Mr. Sweetser

The meeting was called to order by the Moderator, Allan C. Klepper, who announced a quorum present.

Mr. Klepper asked everyone to stand and join in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Motion by Mr. Morris and seconded by Mr. Williams to dispense with the reading of the Call, but it is part of the record as it appears on page 409A. Passed unanimously by voice vote.

Motion by Mr. Morris and seconded by Mr. Williams to adopt the following resolution:

RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED 2003 MUNICIPAL BUDGET

RESOLVED: To amend the fiscal year ended 2003 municipal budget pursuant to Title 6, Chapter 2, Paragraph 3 of the Town Charter, the amount budgeted for Debt Service Account GF-0-0340-2860-0000 is hereby decreased by the sum of \$17,500.00 and the following accounts are hereby increased: Town Clerk – Land Records and Probate Account GF-0-0030-2160-0000 in the sum of \$10,000.00; Planning Board – Contractual Services Account GF-0-0080-2510-0000 in the sum of \$4,000.00; and Government Center Utilities – Town Hall Heat Account GF-0-0365-2920-0002 in the sum of

The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

\$3,500.00.

New business: Motion by Moderator Klepper and seconded by Mr. Morris that the Town of Barrington, RI, a constituent community of Red Sox Nation, in special Town Meeting session, does hereby voice its support of the team in their quest to overcome the curse of the Bambino and win the World Series. Passed by voice vote (not a unanimous vote).

There being no further business, motion by Mr. Morris and seconded by Ms. Wiegand to dissolve the special Financial Town Meeting at 7:45 P.M. Passed unanimously by voice vote.

Lorraine A. Derois, Town Clerk

WARNING FOR FINANCIAL TOWN MEETING

410A

State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations County of Bristol, SC:

By the Town Clerk of Town of Barrington, Rhode Island to John M. LaCross, Town Sergeant of the Town of Barrington, or to any of the Constables of the said Town.

GREETING:

Pursuant to Chapter 3 of Title 45 of the General Laws of the State of Rhode Island, you are hereby required to post at least seven (7) days before the 27th day of May, A.D. 2004, written notification in three (3) or more public places in the wn of Barrington, Rhode Island, notifying and warning the electors of the Town of Barrington, qualified to vote upon proposition to impose a tax or for the expenditure of money to assemble in Town Meeting in the Auditorium at the Barrington High School in the Town of Barrington on the 27th day of May, A.D. 2004 at seven-thirty (7:30) o'clock in the afternoon for the purpose of ordering a tax to be levied and assessed on the ratable property of the Town and the inhabitants thereof for the payment of the Town debts and interest, for the payment of the Town's proportion of the State tax, for the support of schools, for the support and maintenance of the poor, for the building, repairing and amending of highways, for the building, repairing and amending of bridges, for the improvement in any manner deemed fit of any property belonging to the Town, for all necessary charges and expenses whatsoever arising within the Town, whether incidental or not to the above, and for consideration of the following matters:

- 1. Appropriate an Amount Not to Exceed \$590,000 for Acquisition and Preservation of Open Space and Development of Public Recreational Facilities and Approve the Financing thereof through the Issuance of Bonds and/or Notes
- 2. Appropriate an Amount Not to Exceed \$900,000 for Renovation, Rehabilitation, Improvement, Furnishing and Equipping of the Town Library and Approve the Financing thereof through the Issuance of Bonds and/or Notes
- 3. Dissolve the Library Improvements Capital Reserve Fund
- 4. Authorize Acceptance of \$294,000 State Grant for Police Cove Park
- 5. Establish the Police Radio Enhancements Capital Reserve Fund
- 6. Establish the Salt Storage Facility Capital Reserve Fund
- 7. Establish the Maple Avenue Reconstruction Design Capital Reserve Fund
- 8. Dissolve the Capital Reserve Account known as Personnel Policies
- 9. Dissolve the Capital Reserve Account known as Sewer GIS Fund
- 10. Dissolve the Capital Reserve Account known as EPA Facilities Audit
- 11. Establish the Post-Employment Benefits Fiduciary Trust Fund
- 12. Amend the Fiscal Year End 2004 Municipal Budget

and for any or all other purposes authorized by law, and to transact such other business as may legally come before the meeting.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Town of Barrington this 17th day of May, A.D. 2004 at the Town of Barrington, Rhode Island.

Lorraine A. Derois, Town Clerk

State of Rhode Island County of Bristol

By virtue of the foregoing warrant, the electors of the Town of Barrington entitled to vote in Financial Town Meeting are hereby warned and notified to assemble in Town Meeting in the Auditorium of the Barrington High School in said Barrington on the 27th day of May, A.D. 2004 at 7:30 P.M. for the purpose set forth in the above Warrant.

John M. LaCross, Town Sergeant

State of Rhode Island Inty of Bristol

In Barrington, in said County, on the 17th day of May, A.D. 2004, I have warned and notified the electors of the said Town of Barrington as above commanded and required by law by posting up written notification of said Warrant in more than three public places in said Town of Barrington.

John M. La Cross, Town Sergeant

authorized to take all lawful action necessary or desirable to designate the bonds and notes as "qualified tax-exempt obligations" within the meaning of Section 265(b)(3) of the Code.

Section 5. This Resolution shall take effect upon passage. Councilor Gillooly explained this money is for the purchase of the Perna property on Sowams Road, approximately seven acres. Motion by Bernhard Weiss, 641 Maple Avenue and seconded to have a secret ballot on this resolution. Motion failed (voice vote). Robert Ryan, 10 Henry Drive, asked if the voters are being asked to officially accept money from the State. Mr. Gillooly said the \$300,000 State grant has already been assigned to this property. Robert Schweikert, 352 Nayatt Road, stated there's already a problem maintaining fields; how will more fields be maintained. Mr. Gillooly stated the fields are being maintained, and there has been a swell of support for this purchase from the Town Council, Park & Recreation Commission, Conservation Commission and taxpayers concerned about the environment and open space. The community has been in favor of purchasing open space in the past. Though the sports leagues have been very generous in the past, there will be some burden on the taxpayers. Barbara Donovan, 12 Manning Drive, stated her position is to vote down the bond. Patricia Stoddard, 12 Kent Street, spoke in favor of the bond. Elizabeth Karner, 33 Clarke Road, asked about new space for the arts; there's a need for children who can't play sports. Mr. Gillooly agreed but said the arts are not part of this equation. Appropriations Committee Chairman Ray Morris added that all the youth leagues and teams donate money for things they deem appropriate; there is money in the budget to maintain the fields. Melissa Horne, Chairwoman of the Park & Recreation Commission, stated the Commission is well aware of the fiscal limitations in town and is trying to meet everyone's needs in the most responsible way possible. Ms. Horne asked everyone to vote in favor of the bond. Town Treasurer Dean Huff reported the financial impact for Fiscal Year 2005 will be an interest payment of approximately \$11,000 or 1/2¢ per thousand on the tax rate; the next year \$100,000 principal and interest or 5¢ per thousand on the tax rate going down to \$76,537.50 or 4¢ on the tax rate in year seven. Mr. Weiss asked if this is buildable land. Mr. Gillooly responded yes. Helen Tjader, 15 Eton Road, President of the Barrington Land Conservation Trust, stated this is a smart use of town money; taxpayers will pay more if the land is developed; vote in favor of the bond. The motion to adopt the resolution passed (voice vote).

Motion by Mr. Gillooly and seconded to adopt the following resolution:

RESOLUTION OF THE FINANCIAL TOWN MEETING APPROPRIATING AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$900,000 FOR THE RENOVATION, REHABILITATION, IMPROVEMENT, FURNISHING AND EQUIPPING OF THE TOWN LIBRARY AND APPROVING THE FINANCING THEREOF THROUGH THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS AND/OR NOTES

Be it resolved that

Section 1. The sum of \$900,000 be appropriated to finance the renovation, rehabilitation, improvement, furnishing and equipping of the Town library (the "Project") and to raise said appropriation, the Treasurer, with the approval of the Town Council, is authorized under Section 45-12-2 of the General Laws Rhode Island and Section 7-1-1 of the Home Rule Charter of the Town, as amended, to issue bonds therefore, to issue temporary notes in anticipation of the issuance of bonds, and to issue refunding bonds pursuant to Section 45-12-5.2.

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Section 3. This Resolution is an affirmative action of the Town of Barrington toward the issuance of bonds or notes in accordance with the purposes of the laws of the State. This Resolution constitutes the Town's declaration of official intent pursuant to the Treasury Regulations Section 1.150(2) to reimburse the Town for certain capital expenditures for the Project paid on or after the date which is sixty (60) days prior to the date of this Resolution, but prior to the issuance of the bonds or notes. Amounts to be reimbursed shall not exceed \$900,000 and shall be reimbursed not later than eighteen (18) months after (a) the date on which the expenditure is paid, or (b) the date the Project is placed in service or abandoned, but in no event later than three (3) years after the date the expenditure is paid.

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103 of the Code, and to refrain from taking any action which will cause interest on the bonds and notes to lose the benefit of exclusion from gross income provided by Section 103(a) of the Code. The Treasurer and the President of the Town Council are further authorized to take all lawful action necessary or desirable to designate the bonds and notes as "qualified tax-exempt obligations" within the meaning of Section 265(b)(3) of the Code.

Section 5. This Resolution shall take effect upon passage. The motion passed unanimously (voice vote).

Motion by Mr. Morris and seconded by Mr. Delaney to adopt the following resolution:

RESOLUTION TO DISSOLVE THE LIBRARY IMPROVEMENTS CAPITAL RESERVE FUND

RESOLVED: That the account known as "Library Improvements Fund" is hereby dissolved and all unused funds be transferred to the General Fund as a revenue source and current year funding be removed. The motion passed unanimously (voice vote).

Motion by Mr. DePasquale and seconded by Mr. Morris to adopt the following resolution:

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF \$294,000 STATE GRANT FOR POLICE COVE PARK

It is hereby resolved that the Town of Barrington accept from the State of Rhode Island a grant in the amount of \$294,000.00 to construct a waterfront park at Police Cove. [NOTE: Approval of this Resolution accepting state funds will mean that the Town will not be able to assign Barrington residents the nine (9) parking spaces that are designed for boat vehicles and boat trailers – they will have to remain open to the public in general.] Mr. Morris explained that taxes would increase if State money were not accepted. Robert Ryan, 10 Henry Drive, asked the reason State funds have to be accepted at this meeting. Mr. Gillooly explained that because 212 people voted to demolish the police station at last year's Financial Town Meeting, he felt it appropriate to come back to the Town Meeting to vote on the State grant. Elizabeth Warren, 18 Homestead Avenue, said she voted last year for the land to remain town-owned and then spoke in favor of accepting State money. Mr. DePasquale stated ownership of the park would remain with the Town of Barrington. Robert D'Angelo, 55 Governor Bradford Drive, had his question answered by Mr. DePasquale. The motion passed (voice vote).

Motion by Mr. Morris and seconded by Mr. Sweetser to adopt the following resolution:

RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH THE POLICE RADIO ENHANCEMENTS CAPITAL RESERVE FUND

RESOLVED: There is hereby established pursuant to §45-11-1 of the Rhode Island General Laws, as amended, a Capital Reserve Fund to be known as the "Police Radio Enhancements Fund". The motion passed unanimously (voice vote).

Motion by Mr. Morris and seconded by Ms. Wiegand to adopt the following resolution:

RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH THE SALT STORAGE FACILITY CAPITAL RESERVE FUND

RESOLVED: There is hereby established pursuant to §45-11-1 of the Rhode Island General Laws, as amended, a Capital Reserve Fund to be known as the "Salt Storage Facility Fund". The motion passed unanimously (voice vote).

Motion by Mr. Morris and seconded by Ms. Wiegand to adopt the following resolution:

RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH THE

MAPLE AVENUE RECONSTRUCTION DESIGN CAPITAL RESERVE FUND

RESOLVED: There is hereby established pursuant to §45-11-1 of the Rhode Island General Laws, as amended, a Capital Reserve Fund to be known as the "Maple Avenue Reconstruction Design Fund". The motion passed unanimously (voice vote).

Motion by Mr. Morris and seconded by Ms. Wiegand to adopt the following resolution:

RESOLUTION TO DISSOLVE THE CAPITAL RESERVE ACCOUNT KNOWN AS PERSONNEL POLICIES

RESOLVED: That the account known as "Personnel Policies" is hereby dissolved and all unused funds be transferred to other Capital Reserve Funds. The motion passed unanimously (voice vote).

Motion by Mr. Morris and seconded by Ms. Wiegand to adopt the following resolution: **RESOLUTION**

TO DISSOLVE THE CAPITAL RESERVE ACCOUNT KNOWN AS SEWER GIS FUND

RESOLVED: That the account known as "Sewer GIS Fund" is hereby dissolved and all unused funds be transferred to the Sewer Enterprise Fund. The motion passed unanimously (voice vote).

Motion by Mr. Morris and seconded by Ms. Wiegand to adopt the following resolution:

RESOLUTION

TO DISSOLVE THE CAPITAL RESERVE ACCOUNT KNOWN AS EPA FACILITIES AUDIT

RESOLVED: That the account known as "EPA Facilities Audit" is hereby dissolved and all unused funds be transferred to the General Fund. The motion passed unanimously (voice vote).

Motion by Mr. Morris and seconded by Ms. Wiegand to adopt the following resolution:

RESOLUTION

TO ESTABLISH THE

POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS FIDUCIARY TRUST FUND

RESOLVED: There is hereby established a Fiduciary Trust Fund to be known as the "Post-Employment Benefits Fund" and the surplus generated from the Medical Fund for fiscal year ended 2003 of \$385,000 be transferred into this Fund. The motion passed unanimously (voice vote).

Motion by Mr. Morris and seconded by Ms. Wiegand to adopt the following resolution:

RESOLUTION

TO AMEND THE FISCAL YEAR END 2004 MUNICIPAL BUDGET

RESOLVED: Pursuant to Title 6, Chapter 2, Paragraph 3 of the Town Charter, the amount budgeted for Worker's Compensation Insurance, Account #GF-0-0140-2615-0000 and Property/Liability Insurance, Account #GF-0-0140-2635-0000 are hereby decreased by the sum of \$19,500 and \$35,000, respectively. The following accounts are hereby increased:

- Town Manager Salary, Account #GF-0-0020-1010-0000 in the sum of \$8,000;
- Zoning Board Advertising, Account #GF-0-0090-2540-0000 in the sum of \$2,000;
- Planning Board Blueprint/Photo, Account #GF-0-0080-2160-0000 in the sum of \$8,000;
- Animal Control Veterinary Fee, Account #GF-0-0100-3910-0000 in the sum of \$3,500;
- Harbor Control Boat Operations, Account #GF-0-0200-2570-0000 in the sum of \$3,500;
- Miscellaneous Contingency Fund, Account #GF-0-0370-0010-0000 in the sum of \$1,500;
- Government Center Utilities Peck Center, #Account GF-0-0365-2930-0000 in the sum of \$7,500;
- Government Center Utilities Town Hall, Account #GF-0-0365-2920-0000 in the sum of \$7,500;
- Miscellaneous Sweetbriar, Account #GF-0-0370-0190-0000 in the sum of 13,000.

The motion passed unanimously (voice vote).

Neal Personeus, 211 Sowams Road, asked if the bond issues would put the town over the levy. Mr. Morris answered no.

Report of the Appropriations Committee follows:

Account Number Account

Appropriated for the FY Ending June 30, 2005

0300 Public Schools

\$33,110,383

Motion by Thomas Wheeler and seconded to reduce the school budget by \$300,000. Those speaking in favor of the motion were Earl Andrews, 17 Pine Avenue; Fred Dick, 7 Harbour Road; Benjamin Wooding, 9 Manor Road; Chad Mollica, 2 River Oak Road; Bernhard Weiss, 641 Maple Avenue; and Thomas Netter, 32 Cove Avenue, who thanked the Appropriations Committee and Town Manager Dennis Phelan for their work; Mr. Phelan received a standing ovation. Those speaking in opposition to the motion were Arnold Durfee, 73 Primrose Hill Road; Robert Schweikert, 352 Nayatt Road; Barrington High School student Heather Morowitz; Neal Personeus, 211 Sowams Road; Jim Hasenfus, 5 Ellis Street; Jennifer Gildea, 136 Metropolitan Park Drive; and John Quigley, 59 Linden Road. School Committee Chairman Patrick A. Guida stated the School

	Committee's budget re	eflects a reduction in services. There are compe	etitive	
	circumstances such as	circumstances such as higher salaries paid to teachers in Massachusetts and Connecticut		
	so good teachers need to be attracted to Barrington. The cost of \$9,100 per pupil is			
	among the lowest in the State; Barrington is ranked 26 th out of 36 school districts. Mr.			
	Cuida urgad aventone	to defeat the motion Jordan Verner 24 Ray [Poad acked how to	
		uida urged everyone to defeat the motion. Jordan Verner, 24 Bay Road, asked how to		
	reform school contract	t negotiations. Mr. Klepper suggested this shou	iid be done at	
		etings. Mr. Wheeler's motion was defeated (vo		
	0010	Town Council	32,936	
	0020	Town Manager	196,781	
	Robert Schweikert, 35	2 Nayatt Road, thanked Town Manager Phelan	for his work.	
		Town Clerk	189,849	
	0040	Town Treasurer	244,682	
	0045	Computer Operations	16,817	
	0050	Tax Assessor	101,387	
	0060	Town Solicitor	126,500	
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		Road, on behalf of Barrington Citizens for Resp		
	Development, asked about money to cover costs, if needed, to oppose Sweetbriar			
	iffordable housing. Motion by Mr. Larisa and seconded to increase the Town Solicitor's			
	ine item #GF0 0060 2955 Miscellaneous Expense from \$20,000 to \$40,000. Mr. Morris			
	tated the Appropriations Committee feels there's enough money in this account and in			
	the Contingency Fund to cover expenses. Tanja Kubas-Meyer, 40 Centennial Avenue,			
	<u> </u>	The motion was defeated (voice vote).		
	0070	Judge of Probate	2,210	
			37,028	
	0080	Planning Board	•	
	0090	Zoning Board	6,966	
	0100	Animal Control	10,000	
	0110	Memorial Day	3,500	
	0120	Agencies Support	7,000	
	0130	Board of Canvassers	22,700	
	0140	Insurance – Interlocal	272,948	
Mark Powers, 6 Massachusetts Avenue, asked why line item #GF0 0140 2625			•	
	Property/Liability was declining by almost 16%. Mr. Morris answered that costs were moved to Sewer Utility. Mr. Phelan agreed and added that the town built a credit of			
\$40,000 in the RI Inter-Local Trust.			1 204 700	
	0150	Fire Department	1,394,766	
	0160	Hydrant Rental	136,000	
	0180	Police Department	1,846,050	
	0190	Sealer of Weights & Measures	1,425	
	0200	Harbor Control	23,100	
	James E. McClelland.	III, Harbor Commission Chair, reported that \$2	,500 in the Boat	
	Operation line would barely provide gasoline. Motion by Mr. McClelland and seconded t			
	ncrease Harbor Commission Boat Operation #GF0 0200 2570 from \$2,500 to \$5,000.			
	Mr. Morris stated the Appropriations Committee feels there's enough money in this			
	account and in the Contingency Fund to handle this. The motion passed (voice vote).			
	0210	Civil Defense	1,936	
	0250	East Bay Mental Health	46,400	
	0260	Public Works	2,247,860	
	0270	Social Security	479,438	
	0280	Medical Coverage	1,386,596	
	0290	Pensions	392,399	
	0292	Compensated Absences	80,400	
	0295	Unemployment Insurance	5,000	
	0310	Library	994,682	
	0320	•	121,064	
		Recreation Department		
Robert Schweikert, 352 Nayatt Road, asked now that the open space/recreation bor has been approved, is there money in this line item to maintain the fields. Mr. Morr answered no. Mr. DePasquale answered there are no development costs in this line				
			ielas. Mr. Morris	
	0325	Senior Services	102,246	
	0330	Inspections	72,402	
	0340	Reduction of Bonded Debt	3,276,263	
	0350	Interest on Debt	903,016	
	0360	Capital Items: Municipal	559,900	
	U300			
		School	330,000	
	0365	Government Center Utilities	131,000	
	0366	Public Safety Complex Utilities	150,000	
	0370	Miscellaneous	<u>47,400</u>	
	Total Gross Expenditu	ures	\$49,111,030	
	850SE	Sewer Utility	1,313,545	
	0360	Capital Items: Sewer Utility Enterprise Fund	282,775	
	0300	Capital Items. Series dulity Enterprise Fund		

Mr. Klepper declared the budget adopted.

Motion by Mr. Morris and seconded Ms. Wiegand to adopt the following resolution:

RESOLUTION

ADOPTING THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE-ON-APPROPRIATIONS

RESOLVED: that the report of the Committee-on-Appropriations, appointed to prepare a budget, be adopted and in accordance therewith, the sum of \$49,116,268 be and the same hereby is appropriated to be expended during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2005, and the Town Treasurer is hereby authorized and directed to pay out of the several appropriations mentioned, said sums within the amounts appropriated, as may be required upon receipt by him of proper vouchers approved by the Town Manager, or otherwise as provided by law.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: that the report of the Committee-on-Appropriations with regard to the Sewer Enterprise Fund be adopted and in accordance therewith the sum of \$1,596,320 be and the same hereby is appropriated to be expended during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2005, and the Town Treasurer is hereby authorized and directed to pay out of the Sewer Enterprise Fund said sums within the amount appropriated as may be required upon receipt by him of proper vouchers approved by the Town Manager or otherwise as provided by law. The expenditure shall be supported by revenue generated by said fund. The motion passed (voice vote).

Motion by Mr. Morris and seconded by Ms. Wiegand to adopt the following resolution:

RESOLUTION ORDERING THE LEVY AND COLLECTION OF A TAX AND DEALING WITH KINDRED MATTERS

RESOLVED: that the electors of the Town of Barrington, qualified to vote on any proposition to impose a tax, in Town Meeting assembled, on this 27th day of May, A.D. 2004, hereby order the levy and collection of a tax on the ratable real estate, the ratable tangible personal property, ratable tangible personal property of manufacturer's machinery and equipment (the rate of said ratable tangible personal property of manufacturer's consisting of manufacturer's machinery and equipment to be in accordance with limitations and provisions of statutory law of the State of Rhode Island) and motor vehicle excise tax in the sum not less than \$40,765,412 nor more than \$40,890,835, said tax to be for ordinary expenses and charges, for the payment of interest and indebtedness in full or in part of said Town and for other purposes authorized by law. The Tax Assessor shall apportion said tax on the inhabitants and taxable property of said Town according to law, and shall, upon completion of said resulting tax roll, date, certify and sign the same and deliver to and deposit the same in the Office of the Town Clerk on or before the 15th day of June, A.D. 2004. The Town Clerk, upon receipt of said assessments, shall forthwith make a copy of same and deliver it to the Town Treasurer with a warrant under her hand directed to the Collector of Taxes of said Town commanding him to proceed to collect said tax on the person and estates liable therefore. Said tax shall be due and payable on the 1st day of September, A.D. 2004, and all taxes remaining unpaid after September 30, 2004, shall carry until collected, a penalty at the rate of 18 per cent per annum from the due date of any quarterly installment, PROVIDED, HOWEVER, that the persons assessed to pay their taxes shall have an option to pay the same in equal quarterly installments; the first installment of twenty-five per centum on or before the 30th day of September 2004, and the remaining installments as follows: twenty-five per centum on or before the 30th day of December 2004, twenty-five per centum on or before the 30th day of March 2005, and twenty-five per centum on or before the 30th day of June 2005. If the first installment or any succeeding installments of taxes is not paid by the last date of the respective installment period or periods as they occur then the whole tax or remaining unpaid balance of the tax as the case may be shall immediately become due and payable and shall carry until collected a penalty at the rate of 18 per cent per annum. As of the 31st day of December 2004, at twelve o'clock midnight, the Assessor of Taxes shall determine the assessed valuation of ratable property in the Town for tax purposes and against such assessed valuations so determined shall apportion the tax levy to be made by the electors in Financial Town Meeting on May 26, 2005 on the inhabitants of the Town and ratable property therein to meet appropriations.

RESOLVED: that the Collector of Taxes is hereby directed to attend any meeting of the Town Council held on its regular meeting date on or before May 2005 prepared to certify to the Council the names of all persons whose taxes have remained unpaid or have been paid under protest as of that date, together with all amounts due from each, and also all the information in his possession connected with each case. The Tax Collector shall also prepare and certify to the Town Council the names of all persons to whom he recommends there shall be granted tax abatements on tangible personal property because they have deceased leaving no assets, have moved out of State leaving no assets or whose tax has been ruled uncollectible by the court, as provided in the General

Laws of Rhode Island, 1956, as amended, Title 44, Chapter 7, Section 14, as amended to date, together with the reason for the abatement and the amount.

RESOLVED: that the Assessor of Taxes is directed to attend any meeting of the Town Council held on its regular meeting date on or before May 2005 prepared to certify to the Council the names of all persons recommended to be granted tax abatements because of mistakes in the assessment as provided in the General Laws of 1956, Title 44, Chapter 7, Section 14, as amended to date, together with the nature of the mistake, the valuation and the amount of tax recommended for abatement.

RESOLVED: that the Town Council is hereby authorized, empowered and directed to investigate each case so brought before them, and whenever in their judgment, the tax has been illegally or wrongfully assessed or the tax on any tangible personal property is uncollectible because the owner has deceased leaving no assets, has moved out of State leaving no assets or whose tax has been ruled uncollectible by the court, they are hereby authorized and empowered to remit such tax. In all cases, the Collector of Taxes is hereby directed to collect by process of law, all taxes due and unpaid on August 1, 2004. The Collector of Taxes is further directed to collect by process of law all tangible personal property taxes levied in 2004, which remain unpaid on September 30, 2004 unless being paid quarterly.

RESOLVED: that the Town Treasurer is hereby authorized to hire such sum or sums of money as may be necessary for the operation of the Town Government, and **RESOLVED:** that the Town Treasurer and Collector of Taxes and such other Town Officers as the Town Council may designate shall secure their bonds from some good surety company and the Town assume the expenses. The motion passed (voice vote).

Motion Mr. Morris and seconded by Ms. Wiegand to adopt the following resolution:

RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH TAX RATES

RESOLVED: that the real estate and personal property tax rate be set at not greater than \$18.99 per \$1,000 valuation and the motor vehicle tax rate be set at \$42.00 per \$1,000 valuation. The motion passed unanimously (voice vote).

Motion by Sharon K. Brinkworth, Chairwoman, Republican Town Committee, and seconded by Jeffrey S. Brenner, Chairman, Democratic Town Committee, to adopt the following resolution:

RESOLUTION APPOINTING A COMMITTEE TO PREPARE A BUDGET AND SUBMIT A REPORT

RESOLVED: that a committee of five (5) consisting of William J. Delaney, 38 Upland Way; John J. Fitta, 153 New Meadow Road; Timothy R. Sweetser, 12 Roberta Drive; Jane T. Wiegand, 3 Hamilton Avenue, and Jerome F. Williams, 26 Hilltop Avenue is hereby appointed to hold a public meeting on the second Thursday in May 2005 at 7:30 o'clock P.M. for the purpose of hearing all persons interested in preparing a budget to be presented to the Financial Town Meeting and to submit a printed report of their recommendations for expenditures to the Financial Town Meeting, and the amount of tax which will be necessary to levy to pay such expenses, and

RESOLVED: that in case of a vacancy in the committee after the appointment of its members, such vacancy shall be filled immediately by the Town Council, and **RESOLVED:** further that the Town Clerk with the said Committee-on-Appropriations shall prepare and have printed an order of business for each Financial Town Meeting. The motion passed unanimously (voice vote).

Appropriations Committee Chairman Raymond F. Morris, Jr. decided to retire and thus resigned from the Committee after this meeting, his 20th. The Town Council appointed Mr. Morris to the Committee on February 11, 1985; his first Financial Town Meeting was on May 23, 1985 and was elected Chairman in 1997. After a standing ovation from the voters, Senator David E. Bates, Representative Susan A. Story, and the Appropriations Committee presented plaques and citations to Mr. Morris. Jerry Williams on behalf of the Appropriations Committee obtained a proclamation from Governor Donald L. Carcieri recognizing the outstanding dedication and significant leadership of Mr. Morris to the Town of Barrington.

Motion by Mr. Morris and seconded by Ms. Wiegand to dissolve the Financial Town Meeting at 10:05 P.M. Passed unanimously (voice vote).

orraine A. Derois, Town Clerk