

Annual Financial Town Meeting
May 25, 2005 @ 7:00 P.M.
Barrington High School Auditorium

Total Eligible: 13,489
Attendance: 553 @ 7:30 P.M.
747 @ 9:25 P.M.

Present:

- **Town Moderator:** Allan C. Klepper
- **Town Clerk:** Lorraine A. Derois
- **Town Council:** Jeffrey S. Brenner, John T. Lazzaro, Martha H. Scavongelli, June S. Speakman and Kate G. Weymouth
- **Town Manager:** Peter A. DeAngelis, Jr.
- **Appropriations Committee:** William J. Delaney, John J. Fitta, Robert J. Shea Jr., Timothy R. Sweetser and Jane T. Wiegand
- **School Committee:** Doris W. Eddins, Patrick A. Guida, Jim Hasenfus, Amy Page Oberg and Deborah S. Thurston
- **School Superintendent:** Ralph Malafronte

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

Mr. Klepper asked everyone to stand and join in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag and to remain standing for a moment of silence for those who suffered the loss of local students and adults and for our troops serving in other lands. Mr. Klepper gave an overview of the meeting's agenda and the rules that would be followed as the process unfolds.

Motion by Mr. Delaney and seconded by Mr. Sweetser to dispense with the reading of the Call, but it is part of the record as it appears on page 417A. Passed unanimously (voice vote).

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

TOWN OF BARRINGTON, RHODE ISLAND
RESOLUTION OF THE FINANCIAL TOWN MEETING
APPROPRIATING AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$2,500,000 TO
FINANCE THE DESIGN, DEMOLITION, CONSTRUCTION,
RENOVATION, REHABILITATION, REPAIR AND IMPROVEMENT,
FURNISHING, EQUIPPING AND EXTERIOR PAVING AND
LANDSCAPING OF PUBLIC BUILDINGS AND FACILITIES IN THE
TOWN AND APPROVING THE FINANCING THEREOF THROUGH THE
ISSUANCE OF BONDS AND/OR NOTES

Be it resolved that

Section 1. The sum of \$2,500,000 be appropriated to finance the design, demolition, construction, renovation, rehabilitation, repair and improvement, furnishing, equipping and exterior paving and landscaping of public buildings and facilities in the Town and approving the financing thereof through the issuance of bonds and/or notes (the "Project") and to raise said appropriation, the Finance Director, 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 therefor, 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 Finance Director 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 \$2,500,000 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 Finance Director 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 Finance Director 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. Those voters with questions regarding the resolution were Benjamin Wooding, 9 Manor Road; Hillary Polumbo, 19 Rumstick Road; Sandra Hannan, 23 Edwin Street (in favor); and Robert Schweikert, 352 Nayatt Road; Mr. Brenner and Mr. DeAngelis answered questions. The motion to adopt the resolution passed unanimously (voice vote).

Motion by Mr. Delaney and seconded by Ms. Wiegand to adopt the following seven resolutions (Recreational Maintenance and Improvement through Jaws of Life). Passed unanimously (voice vote).

**RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH THE
RECREATIONAL MAINTENANCE AND IMPROVEMENT
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 "Recreational Maintenance and Improvement" Capital Reserve Account.

**RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH THE
SOWAMS MULTI-PURPOSE FIELDS 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 "Sowams Multi-Purpose Fields".

**RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH THE
DREDGING AT BULLOCKS COVE 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 "Dredging at Bullocks Cove" and to transfer Fiscal Year 2004-2005 allocated, unspent funds to the Dredging at Bullocks Cove Capital Reserve Account.

**RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH THE
DPW GARAGE ROOF 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 "DPW Garage Roof" and to transfer Fiscal Year 2004-2005 allocated, unspent funds to the DPW Garage Roof Capital Reserve Account.

**RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH THE
TRANSIENT DOCK 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 "Transient Dock" and to transfer Fiscal Year 2004-2005 allocated, unspent funds to the Transient Dock Capital Reserve Account.

**RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH THE
SENIOR CENTER BUS 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 "Senior Center Bus".

**RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH THE
JAWS OF LIFE 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 "Jaws of Life".

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WARNING FOR FINANCIAL TOWN MEETING

State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations

County of Bristol, SC

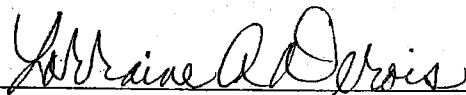
By the Town Clerk of Town of Barrington, Rhode Island to John M. LaCross, Town Sergeant of the Town of Barrington or to any of the Constables of the said Town.

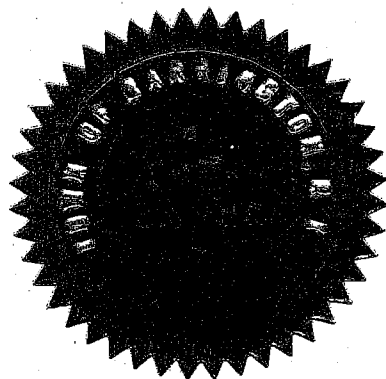
GREETING:

Pursuant to Chapter 3 of Title 45 of the General Laws of the State of Rhode Island, you are hereby required to post a least seven (7) days before the 25th day of May, A.D. 2005, written notification in three (3) or more public places in the Town of Barrington, Rhode Island, notifying and warning the electors of the Town of Barrington, qualified to vote upon any 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 25th day of May, A.D. 2005 at seven (7:00) 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. Resolution Appropriating an Amount Not to Exceed \$2.5 Million to Finance the Design, Demolition, Construction Renovation, Rehabilitation, Repair and Improvement, Furnishing, Equipping and Exterior Paving and Landscaping of Public Buildings and Facilities in the Town and Approving the Financing thereof through the Issuance of Bonds and/or Notes
 2. Resolution Establishing the Recreational Maintenance and Improvement Capital Reserve Fund
 3. Resolution Establishing the Sowams Multi-Purpose Fields Capital Reserve Fund
 4. Resolution Establishing the Dredging at Bullocks Cove Capital Reserve Fund
 5. Resolution Establishing the DPW Garage Roof Capital Reserve Fund
 6. Resolution Establishing the Transient Dock Capital Reserve Fund
 7. Resolution Establishing the Senior Center Bus Capital Reserve Fund
 8. Resolution Establishing the Jaws of Life Capital Reserve Fund
 9. Resolution Dissolving the Capital Reserve Account known as St. Andrew's Farm Soccer Field
 10. Resolution Dissolving the Capital Reserve Account known as Public Works Lawn Mower
 11. Resolution Dissolving the Capital Reserve Account known as Police Speed Trailer
 12. Resolution Dissolving the Capital Reserve Account known as Sewer Pump Station Controls
 13. Resolution Transferring Funds from DPW Refuse Bags Special Revenue Account to the General Fund
 14. Resolution Renaming Peck Center Façade Restoration Capital Reserve Account to Peck Center Improvements Capital Reserve Account
 15. Resolution Transferring Funds from the Medical Internal Service Fund to Post Employment Benefits Trust Fund
 16. Resolution Amending the Fiscal Year End 2005 Municipal Budget
 17. Resolution Approving Transfer of School Surplus Funds to the General Fund
- 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 16th day of May, A.D. 2005 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 25th day of May, A.D. 2005 at 7:00 P.M. for the purpose set forth in the above Warrant.


John M. LaCross, Town Sergeant

State of Rhode Island
County of Bristol

In Barrington, in said County, on the 16th day of May, A.D. 2005, 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. LaCross, Town Sergeant

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

**RESOLUTION TO DISSOLVE THE
ST. ANDREW'S FARM SOCCER FIELD
CAPITAL RESERVE ACCOUNT**

RESOLVED: That the account known as "St. Andrew's Farm Soccer Field" is hereby dissolved and all unused funds be transferred to the "Sowams Multi-Purpose Fields" Capital Reserve Account. The motion passed unanimously (voice vote).

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

**RESOLUTION TO DISSOLVE THE CAPITAL RESERVE ACCOUNT
KNOWN AS PUBLIC WORKS LAWN MOWER**

RESOLVED: That the account known as "Public Works Lawn Mower" is hereby dissolved and any unused funds be transferred to the General Fund. The motion passed unanimously (voice vote).

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

**RESOLUTION TO DISSOLVE THE CAPITAL RESERVE ACCOUNT
KNOWN AS POLICE SPEED TRAILER**

RESOLVED: That the account known as "Police Speed Trailer" is hereby dissolved. The motion passed unanimously (voice vote).

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

**RESOLUTION TO DISSOLVE THE CAPITAL RESERVE ACCOUNT
KNOWN AS SEWER PUMP STATION CONTROLS**

RESOLVED: That the account known as "Sewer Pump Station Controls" is hereby dissolved. The motion passed (voice vote).

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

**RESOLUTION TO TRANSFER FUNDS FROM THE
DPW REFUSE BAGS SPECIAL REVENUE ACCOUNT
TO THE GENERAL FUND**

RESOLVED: That \$35,000 be transferred from the Special Revenue Account "DPW Refuse Bags" to the General Fund as a revenue source to fund improvements to the recycling center. The motion passed unanimously (voice vote).

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

**RESOLUTION TO RENAME THE PECK CENTER FAÇADE RESTORATION CAPITAL
RESERVE ACCOUNT TO PECK CENTER IMPROVEMENTS CAPITAL RESERVE
ACCOUNT**

RESOLVED: The Capital Reserve Account known as "Peck Center Façade Restoration" is hereby renamed to "Peck Center Improvements". The motion passed unanimously (voice vote).

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

**RESOLUTION TO TRANSFER FUNDS FROM THE MEDICAL INTERNAL SERVICE
FUND TO THE POST EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS TRUST FUND**

RESOLVED: That the surplus generated from the "Medical Internal Service Fund" for Fiscal Year ended 2004 of \$418,571 be transferred into the "Post Employment Benefits Trust Fund". The motion passed (voice vote).

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

RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE FISCAL YEAR END 2005 MUNICIPAL BUDGET

RESOLVED: Pursuant to Title 6, Chapter 2, Paragraph 3 of the Town Charter, the amount budgeted for the following accounts are hereby increased:

- **Revenue Accounts - \$75,000:**
 - Realty Transfer – Account GF-1-0630-0069-0000 for \$35,000;
 - Tower Rental – Account GF-1-0660-0020-0005 for \$40,000.
- **Expenditure Accounts - \$75,000:**
 - 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; and
 - Miscellaneous – Sweetbriar, Account GF-0-0370-0190-0000 in the sum of \$60,000.

The motion passed (voice vote).

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

**RESOLUTION
TO APPROVE THE TRANSFER OF SCHOOL SURPLUS FUNDS
TO THE GENERAL FUND**

RESOLVED: All funds remaining in the School Department unrestricted fund balance, not-to-exceed Four Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$400,000), shall be transferred to the Town as a revenue source for Fiscal Year 2005-2006. The motion passed (voice vote).

Representative Susan A. Story reported there's an increased \$109,000,000 available and Governor Carcieri would like more money sent to communities; Representative Jan Malik reported that the General Assembly is committed to resolving the pension problem; and Senator David E. Bates said the #1 priority is to phase out the car tax by the year 2011.

Report of the Appropriations Committee follows:

<u>Account Number</u>	<u>Account</u>	<u>Appropriated for the FY Ending June 30, 2006</u>
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0300	Public Schools	\$35,708,165
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Motion by Ronald D. Russo, 8 Candleberry Road, and seconded to increase the school budget by \$125,000. Alexander Bally, 12 Clarke Road, spoke in opposition to the motion, as did Benjamin Wooding. Kenneth Schneyer, 34 South Street, asked what the amount would be before the 5.5% cap is reached. Finance Director Dean M. Huff, Jr. answered \$1,064,000. Hillary Polumbo, 19 Rumstick Road, asked what is the standing of the school system nationwide. School Committee Chairman Patrick A. Guida stated Barrington has outperformed one of three schools in the State of RI. Jonathan Crist, 24 Bay Road, Richard Gaitskell, 124 Alfred Drown Road spoke in favor of the motion. Lucille Wooding, 9 Manor Road, asked about the school's national standing. Appropriations Committee member Robert J. Shea, Jr. responded that through his own personal research, he has learned Barrington is in the top 5% of schools nationwide. The motion passed (143 attendees were in the cafeteria): 582 yes votes; 78 no votes (standing vote). Motion by Lynn Caesar, 3 Blount Circle, and seconded to increase the school budget by \$400,000. Catherine D. Brody, 7 Ronald Road; Cheryl Bayuk, 1 Heather Way; and Jordan Verner, 24 Bay Road, spoke in favor of the motion. Benjamin Wooding, 9 Manor Road, spoke in opposition to the motion. The motion passed (standing vote). Donna Personeus, 211 Sowams Road, had filed a motion on May 12th to increase the school budget by \$596,305, but withdrew it on the floor of the meeting. Motion by Kim Jacobs, 5 Massachusetts Avenue, and seconded to increase the school budget by \$596,310. Alexander Bally, 12 Clarke Road, and Benjamin Wooding, 9 Manor Road, opposed the motion. Kathryn D. Cadigan, 88 Rumstick Road, speaking for Ms. Jacobs because her time had run out, stated that Ms. Jacobs wants her motion defeated. Chad Mollica, 4 River Oak Road, asked if the school budget is increased by \$2 million this year, would that increased figure be the amount the School Committee starts its budget for the following fiscal year. The answer was yes. He then asked the School Committee if it expected a satisfactory negotiation with the Teachers' Union. Mr. Klepper said that question is out of order since it not does relate to the 2005-2006 proposed budget. The motion was defeated (standing vote). Mr. Klepper announced the school budget was increased by \$400,000.

Moderator Klepper continued the process of the line-by-line review of the budget.

0010	Town Council	22,296
0020	Town Manager	164,748
0030	Town Clerk	201,916
0040	Town Treasurer	283,566
0045	Computer Operations	25,999
0050	Tax Assessor	105,555
0060	Town Solicitor	136,500
0070	Judge of Probate	2,210
0080	Planning Board	82,803

Ronald D. Russo, 8 Candleberry Road, rescinded his motion to decrease the municipal budget by \$125,000 "from the specific line items pertaining to the additions of the salaries, benefits, and monies to be paid to the proposed additions of the positions of full time Town Planner and secretarial support position on the municipal side of the budget."

0090	Zoning Board	8,727
0100	Animal Control	12,000
0110	Memorial Day	3,500
0120	Agencies Support	7,000
0130	Board of Canvassers	11,190

0140	Insurance – Interlocal	283,068
0150	Fire Department	1,459,553
0160	Hydrant Rental	138,400
0180	Police Department	1,947,198
0190	Sealer of Weights & Measures	1,425
0200	Harbor Control	27,200
0210	Civil Defense	1,950
0250	East Bay Mental Health	46,400
0260	Public Works	2,327,458
0270	Social Security	488,110
0280	Medical Coverage	1,490,560
0290	Pensions	529,637
0292	Compensated Absences	40,000
0295	Unemployment Insurance	7,500
0310	Library	1,030,945
0320	Recreation Department	121,487
0325	Senior Services	102,246
0330	Inspections	80,581
0340	Reduction of Bonded Debt	3,303,252
0350	Interest on Debt	827,270
0360	Capital Items: Municipal <i>(ERROR IN BUDGET FOUND ON 5/9/06)</i>	263,500 717,605
	School	270,000
0365	Government Center Utilities	137,550
0366	Public Safety Complex Utilities	157,500
0370	Miscellaneous	72,400
	Total Gross Expenditures	\$51,792,943
850SE	Sewer Utility	1,480,823
0360	Capital Items: Sewer Utility Enterprise Fund	265,000

Mr. Klepper declared the budget adopted.

Motion by Ms. Wiegand and seconded by Mr. Delaney 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 \$51,792,943 be and the same hereby is appropriated to be expended during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2006, 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 \$2,745,823 be and the same hereby is appropriated to be expended during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2006, 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. Delaney 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 25th day of May, A.D. 2005, 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 \$43,148,283 nor more than \$43,298,370, 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. 2005. 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. 2005, and all taxes remaining unpaid after September 30, 2005, 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 2005, and the remaining installments as follows: twenty-five per centum on or before the 30th day of December 2005, twenty-five per centum on or before the 30th day of March 2006, and twenty-five per centum on or before the 30th day of June 2006. 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 2005, 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 24, 2006 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 2006 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 2006 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, 2005. The Collector of Taxes is further directed to collect by process of law all tangible personal property taxes levied in 2005, which remain unpaid on September 30, 2005 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 unanimously (voice vote).

Motion by Mr. Delaney 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 \$19.75 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 Mary Alyce Gasbarro, Chairwoman of the Democratic Town Committee, and seconded by James E. McClelland, III, Vice Chairman of the Republican 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 Kathryn D. Cadigan, 88 Rumstick Road; William J. Delaney, 38 Upland Way; John J. Fitta, 153 New Meadow Road; Timothy R. Sweetser, 12 Roberta Drive; and Jane T. Wiegand, 3 Hamilton Avenue, is hereby appointed to hold a public meeting on the second Thursday in May 2006 at 7:00 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

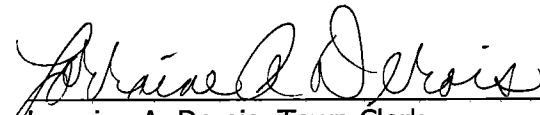
RESOLVED: that in case of a vacancy in the committee after the appointment of its members, such vacancy shall be filled immediately by the Town Council, and

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 (voice vote).

Mr. Delaney announced that Ms. Wiegand will be resigning her position on the Appropriations Committee, and on behalf of the Appropriations Committee and the community, expressed his appreciation to Ms. Wiegand for her years of service on the Appropriations Committee.

Mr. Delaney explained that due to the Hatch Act, Navy Captain Robert J. Shea Jr. is prohibited from being elected to the Appropriations Committee at the Financial Town Meeting; the Town Council appointed Capt. Shea to the Committee on December 27, 2004. Mr. Delaney acknowledged Capt. Shea's work on the Committee during this budget process.

Motion by Ms. Wiegand and seconded by Mr. Delaney to dissolve the Financial Town Meeting at 10:00 P.M. Passed unanimously (voice vote).


Lorraine A. Derois, Town Clerk

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Moderator Allan C. Klepper, who declared a quorum present, called the meeting to order.

Mr. Klepper asked everyone to stand and join in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag and to remain standing for a moment of silence for those who have passed from our midst and contributed to this meeting.

Mr. Klepper gave an overview of the meeting's agenda and the rules that would be followed as the process unfolds and announced that Full Channel TV is videotaping the meeting.

Council President Jeffrey Brenner thanked and congratulated Jake Shore who is a senior at Barrington High School and whose senior project was telecasting the monthly Town Council meetings and tonight's Financial Town Meeting.

School Committee Chairman Patrick Guida announced that the school district losing two very valuable employees; Betty Durfee is retiring as Principal of Primrose Hill School after 16 years of service to the school district, and Ralph Malafronte is retiring as School Superintendent after 12 years as Superintendent and a total of 38 years of service to the school district.

Motion by Mr. Delaney and seconded by Mr. Guida to dispense with the reading of the Call, but it is part of the record as it appears on page 424A. Passed unanimously (voice vote).

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

**RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE FISCAL YEAR END 2006
 MUNICIPAL BUDGET**

RESOLVED: Pursuant to Title 6, Chapter 2, Paragraph 3 of the Town Charter, the amounts budgeted for the following accounts are hereby increased:

- **Revenue Account - \$112,000:**
 Interest on Investments – Account GF-1-0640-0003-0000 in the sum of \$112,000.
- **Expenditure Accounts - \$112,000:**
 Government Center Utilities – Peck Center Account GF-0-0365-2930-0000 in the sum of \$20,000;
 Government Center Utilities – Town Hall Account GF-0-0365-2920-0000 in the sum of \$10,000;
 Department of Public Works Equipment Replacement Capital Reserve Account GF-0-0360-04214-0000 in the sum of \$82,000. The motion passed unanimously (voice vote).

Motion by Mr. Delaney and seconded by Mr. Sweetser to adopt the following four resolutions:

**RESOLUTION TO DISSOLVE THE CAPITAL RESERVE ACCOUNT
 KNOWN AS POLICE RADIO ENHANCEMENTS**

RESOLVED: That the account known as "Police Radio Enhancements" is hereby dissolved and all unused funds be transferred to the General Fund.

**RESOLUTION TO DISSOLVE THE CAPITAL RESERVE ACCOUNT
 KNOWN AS DPW GARAGE ROOF**

RESOLVED: That the account known as "DPW Garage Roof" is hereby dissolved.