

**Town of Mansfield
Board of Selectmen
Minutes of March 2, 2011**

Present: Chairman Kevin Moran, Vice Chairman George Dentino, Clerk Douglas Annino
Selectman Jess Aptowitz, Selectman Olivier Kozlowski
William Ross, Town Manager.

Absent:

Southeastern Regional Vocational School FY12 Budget

Superintendent Luis Lopes and SE Regional Representative for Mansfield William Flannery are present for meeting.

Mansfield will have 43 students enrolled for FY12, which is 3.20% of the schools total enrollment. The required minimum contribution for Mansfield will be \$370,678.00 this coming year.

Operating Budget Summary \$20,016,640

Salaries: \$12,587,343

- Increase of \$234,272 from FY11 (1.9%)
- Uses \$348,372 from Ed. Job Grant carried over from FY11
- Zero cuts to employees

Non Salaries: \$6,759,933

- Increase of \$477,519 from FY11 (7.6%)
- Estimated insurance cost increase 10-12%
- Increase in supplies due to cuts previous two years and depletion of warehouse
- Takes \$153,000 from E&D

Equipment and Technology (\$669,364)

- Increase of \$130,754 from FY11 (24.3%)
- Approximately \$150,000 from FY11 charged to SFSF
- Sets aside \$231,500 for the beginning of "A computer for every student"
- Takes \$72,000 from E&D

Summary

- The FY12 proposed budget of \$21,394,145 represents an increase of 4.68% over FY11.
- Local Assessments are up 2.9% (\$215,079).
- Proposed budget maintains current staffing levels.
- Health insurance increases continue to be a concern.
- \$392,000 available for MSBA project which will provide \$30M in renovations at no increase in costs to districts.

After a few questions from the board regarding the utilization of student work, state grants and changes to health insurance (that increased savings to school) the board thanked Supt. Lopes for coming in.

Conservation Commission updates

Commission members Colin Cauldwell, Michele White, Carol Matthews, Paul Boyden and Joe Mulkern are present for discussion.

The Conservation Commission would like the ability to set user fees for various commission duties. (Covered under MA General Law Ch. 40, Section 22F) The Board of Selectmen must approve and forward to town meeting before this can happen. Mr. Ross has consulted with town counsel and recommends this article be put forward at town meeting.

Selectman Dentino has long wanted the ConComm to impose a penalty on people that report erroneous violations. Chairman Cauldwell stated that the commission has discussed it before but overall has felt that this would discourage reporting of wetland violations.

Selectman Kozlowski asked what percentage of enforcement work comes from violation calls? Chairman Cauldwell stated it is a small percentage. Most work is done through the course of filings and hearings.

Chairman Moran asked if the commission would provide a brief overview of what the ConComm does and why, according to state law and local regulations.

Mr. Ross suggested a minor change to the bylaw language regarding the lack of state site visits. That way the ConComm will be able to work without a state site visit.

Lou Andrews, Natural Resources Trust (NRT) came up next to present a Conservation Restriction to pieces of land in the Great Woods. This action was approved at town meeting last year; and now requires Board of Selectmen approval to record the restriction.

After a few questions among the board members, they decided to forward the agreement to town counsel for review before going forward.

Q & C

None

Weekly Business

Payroll corrections: Town

Warrant No. 11028PTA in the amount of \$1,265.42

Motion: To approve (Aptowitz/Kozlowski) 4:0:1 passes (Dentino)

Warrant No. 11029PTA in the amount of \$710.00

Motion: To approve (Aptowitz/Kozlowski) 4:0:1 passes (Dentino)

Warrant No. 11031PTA in the amount of \$1,160.00

Motion: To approve (Aptowitz/Kozlowski) 4:0:1 passes (Dentino)

Warrant No. 11032PTA in the amount of \$785.00

Motion: To approve (Aptowitz/Kozlowski) 4:0:1 passes (Dentino)

Payroll corrections: School

Warrant No. 11027PS in the amount of -\$1,267.00

Motion: To approve (Aptowitz/Kozlowski) 5:0 passes

Warrant No. 11027PSA in the amount of -\$515.00

Motion: To approve (Aptowitz/Kozlowski) 5:0 passes

Warrant No. 11029PSA in the amount of \$2,195.00

Motion: To approve (Aptowitz/Kozlowski) 5:0 passes

Warrant No. 11031PSA in the amount of -\$10.00

Motion: To approve (Aptowitz/Kozlowski) 5:0 passes

Warrant No. 11033PT in the amount of \$263,326.22

Motion: To approve (Aptowitz/Kozlowski) 4:0:1 passes (Dentino)

Warrant No. 11033PS in the amount of \$1,372,873.67

Motion: To approve (Aptowitz/Kozlowski) 5:0 passes

Warrant No. 11033SV in the amount of \$438,696.03

Motion: To approve (Aptowitz/Kozlowski) 4:1 passes (Kozlowski nay)

Discussion: Selectman Kozlowski asked why the school paid so much for one weekend of snow removal. He wondered if there was a way to complete the job without such a great expense.

Mr. Ross stated that the schools were notified of the need however did not act until there was a problem. Unfortunately neither he nor the board can control when or how much the school spends or hires. Never the less, the board is distressed by this lack of action on the part of the school administration.

Warrant No. 11034PT in the amount of \$245,170.04

Motion: To approve (Aptowitz/Kozlowski) 4:0:1 passes (Dentino)

Warrant No. 11034TV in the amount of \$74,797.87

Motion: To approve (Aptowitz/Kozlowski) 5:0 passes

Warrant No. 11034T in the amount of \$1,079,949.41

Motion: To approve (Aptowitz/Kozlowski) 5:0 passes

Warrant No. 11034E in the amount of \$163,780.78

Motion: To approve (Aptowitz/Kozlowski) 5:0 passes

Warrant No. 11034S in the amount of \$559,932.13

Motion: To approve (Aptowitz/Kozlowski) 5:0 passes

Warrant No. 11035T in the amount of \$256,119.82

Motion: To approve (Aptowitz/Kozlowski) 5:0 passes

Discussion: Selectman Aptowitz stated that he wants to ensure that the boards expense line item will be reimbursed for cable related expenses.

Warrant No. 11035E in the amount of \$142,229.95

Motion: To approve (Aptowitz/Kozlowski) 5:0 passes

Warrant No. 11035S in the amount of \$66,037.50

Motion: To approve (Aptowitz/Kozlowski) 5:0 passes

****Warrant No. 11034PT in the amount of \$273,234.25

The follow warrants should have been 11035's- hold for next week

Warrant No. 11034TV in the amount of \$83,865.10

Motion:

Warrant No. 11034PS in the amount of \$1,300,582.07

Motion:

Warrant No. 11034SV in the amount of \$419,866.62

Motion:

- Board of Selectmen meeting minutes of February 16, 2011.
Motion: To approve (Aptowitz/Kozlowski) 5:0 passes
- Common Victuallers license application for Aunt Aledale Bakery
Motion: To approve (Aptowitz/Kozlowski) 5:0 passes

Correspondence

- New Balance Reach the Beach Relay. The route in thru Mansfield will see runners during the evening of May 20th and early morning on May 21st. The route has been reworked and public safety approves.
Motion: To approve relay. (Aptowitz/Kozlowski) 5:0 passes
- Letter from Eric Baldwin, Deutsche Bank Championship event is pleased to have been able to present the town with a \$32,500 check. (The funds have already been deposited into the NPGF account)
Motion: To accept donation and send thank you letter. (Aptowitz/Kozlowski) 5:0 passes
- MMAS invitation to Gala Event at the Holiday Inn on March 5th to celebrate 18th anniversary. Call 339-2822 or email ken@mmas.org to purchase tickets.

Town Managers Report

- 107 users have signed up to utilize the new pay by phone commuter parking system.

BOS Updates

- Selectman Kozlowski: Would like to re-address the innovation awards program next week.
- Selectman Aptowitz: Covidien has donated \$7,500 to the flag pole fund. We really appreciate them as corporate neighbors and thank them.

He has also stopped at the new bakery and welcomes them to town.

- Selectman Annino: Please review the Attleboro DPW facilities handouts that he provided to the board.
- Selectman Dentino: He went to open house at bakery and it was wonderful.
- Chairman Moran: Please do your TM evaluation and return to me as soon as possible.

Adjournment

Motion: Adjourn to executive session at 8:54pm to discuss labor negotiations and pending litigation with counsel. The meeting will resume in open session for the sole purpose of adjournment. (Aptowitz) 5:0 passes

ROLL CALL: Chairman Moran aye, Vice Chairman Dentino aye, Clerk Annino aye, Selectman Kozlowski aye, Selectman Aptowitz aye. 5:0 passes

Douglas Annino

Signature of Clerk

March 16, 2011

Date of Approval