

SPECIAL MEETING NORTH SMITHFIELD TOWN COUNCIL

JUNE 20, 2013

KENDALL-DEAN SCHOOL

7:00 P.M.

The meeting began at 7:00 P.M. with the prayer and the pledge to the flag. Council members present were Ms. Alves, Mr. McGee, Mr. Yazbak, and Mr. Flaherty. Also in attendance were Town Administrator Hamilton and Town Solicitor Lombardi.

EXTENSION OF AUDIT CONTRACT

MOTION by Ms. Alves, seconded by Mr. Yazbak, and voted 4 to 0 on a roll call vote to extend the town's audit contract with Braver PC for one additional year.

This extension would allow the Town and School Department to work collaboratively to issue a combined RFP for audit services for FY2014 - 2016.

(Mr. Zwolenski arrived at approximately 7:03 P.M.)

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BRAVER REPORT RE: SCHOOL DEPARTMENT ENCUMBRANCES

Mr. Flaherty read a letter from Mr. Robert Civetti, Principal of the town's auditing firm Braver PC, as a follow-up on the results of his

review of the fiscal 2012 encumbrances of the North Smithfield School Department.

Mr. Civetti concluded, “It is my opinion that the Town Council should refrain from re-appropriating School Department Fund Balance to supplement the fiscal 2014 operating budget of the School Operational Unrestricted Fund. The available fund balance as of June 30, 2012 is considered minimal and should be maintained by the School Department to cover any unanticipated expenditures which may be incurred in fiscal 2013 and future periods. I also recommend that the Town Council review the fiscal 2013 operating results and the fund balance as of June 30, 2013 to determine the fund balance reserves, if any, which may be utilized in future periods should the need arise. Lastly, it is my recommendation that the Town Council and Administration meet with School Department personnel to establish adequate policies and procedures for processing purchase orders and recording of encumbrances at the end of the fiscal year so that the annual financial statements accurately reflect the financial results and position of the School Department.”

In the midst of comments being made by Budget Committee Chairman Michael Clifford, Mr. Yazbak felt the discussion was straying off the agenda and asked for an opinion from the solicitor.

Mr. Flaherty asked Mr. Clifford if he would explain his concern as it relates to the Braver report.

Mr. Clifford felt an audit report should indicate what the bottom line number is for the year and he feels it was reflected incorrectly in the school's audit report.

Once again Mr. Yazbak felt the Council was straying from the agenda.

MOTION by Mr. Yazbak and seconded by Mr. McGee to accept the report and either table it to a future meeting or table it altogether. On a roll call vote the motion failed with Ms. Alves, Mr. Zwolenski and Mr. Flaherty voting no.

Mr. Clifford continued to explain the difficulties the Budget Committee felt they had in obtaining information from the School Department. Because of Mr. Civetti's report, Mr. Clifford strongly believed there should be an audit done by the town's auditing firm of the school department budget.

Mr. Zwolenski questioned the dates on several of the school department purchase orders.

MOTION by Mr. Yazbak, seconded by Ms. Alves and Mr. McGee, and voted unanimously on a roll call vote to accept Mr. Civetti's report and place it on file.

FISCAL YEAR 2013 TOWN AND SCHOOL DEPARTMENT AUDITS

MOTION by Mr. Zwolenski to go out to bid for a 2013 audit and have one auditing firm review the municipal side and school department and in addition to have one auditing firm complete the audits for both the school and the town.

After further discussion about whether or not to proceed with a 2013 audit for both the town and the school, Mr. Zwolenski withdrew his motion.

ADOPTION OF BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2014

Mr. Yazbak commented he did not recall a North Smithfield Town Council adopting a budget without having final numbers from the state. He wanted others to be aware that the Method of Tax Collection and the Maintenance of Effort could be affected.

Mr. Flaherty did not want to push off the adoption to a later date because all members were present this evening and he would not want to

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have less than a full complement adopt the budget. The risk of a change to the House Finance Committee budget is very low.

Mr. Yazbak had compiled five scenarios of the tax effects with various tax rates but the Council President did not consider them.

TOWN COUNCIL

MOTION by Mr. Zwolenski, seconded by Ms. Alves, and voted 4 to 1 on an aye vote (Mr. Yazbak voted no) to adopt a budget of \$10,950.

PROBATE COURT

MOTION by Mr. Zwolenski, seconded by Ms. Alves, and voted 4 to 1 on an aye vote (Mr. Yazbak voted no) to adopt a budget of \$8,164.

TOWN SOLICITOR

MOTION by Mr. Zwolenski, seconded by Ms. Alves, and voted 4 to 1 on an aye vote (Mr. Yazbak voted no) to accept an amount of \$27,800 for the Assistant Solicitor Salary.

MOTION by Mr. Zwolenski, seconded by Ms. Alves, and voted 4 to 1 on an aye vote (Mr. Yazbak voted no) to adopt a budget of \$201,589. (This includes \$25,000 for Labor Lawyer/Arbitration.)

MUNICIPAL COURT

MOTION by Ms. Alves, seconded by Mr. Zwolenski, and voted 4 to 1 on an aye vote (Mr. Yazbak voted no) to adopt a budget of \$31,424.

ADMINISTRATOR'S OFFICE

MOTION by Mr. Zwolenski and seconded by Ms. Alves to amend the Administrator's Salary to \$73,000. The motion and second were withdrawn when it was learned that by Charter the Administrator's

salary cannot be changed during the term of office for which he/she was elected.

MOTION by Ms. Alves, seconded by Mr. Zwolenski, and voted unanimously on an aye vote to accept \$71,289 as the Administrator's Salary.

MOTION by Ms. Alves, seconded by Mr. McGee, and voted 4 to 1 on an aye vote (Mr. Yazbak voted no) to accept \$4,000 for the Grant Writer position.

MOTION by Mr. Zwolenski, seconded by Mr. McGee, and voted 4 to 1 on an aye vote (Mr. Yazbak voted no) to accept \$2,500 for the Audio Videographer.

MOTION by Mr. Zwolenski, seconded by Ms. Alves, and voted 3 to 2 on an aye vote (Mr. McGee and Mr. Yazbak voted no) to accept \$2,000 for Education.

MOTION by Mr. Zwolenski, seconded by Ms. Alves, and voted 4 to 1 on an aye vote (Mr. Yazbak voted no) to accept \$400 for Maintenance.

MOTION by Mr. Zwolenski, seconded by Ms. Alves, and voted 4 to 1 on an aye vote (Mr. Yazbak voted no) to accept \$600 for Office Supplies.

MOTION by Ms. Alves, seconded by Mr. McGee and Mr. Zwolenski, and voted 4 to 1 on an aye vote (Mr. Yazbak voted no) to accept \$1,000 for Vehicle Repair.

MOTION by Ms. Alves, seconded by Mr. Zwolenski, and voted 4 to 1 on an aye vote (Mr. Yazbak voted no) to adopt a budget of \$114,944.

TOWN CLERK

MOTION by Ms. Alves, seconded by Mr. Zwolenski, and voted 4 to 1 on an aye vote (Mr. Yazbak voted no) to accept \$300 for Overtime.

MOTION by Ms. Alves, seconded by Mr. Zwolenski, and voted 4 to 1 on an aye vote (Mr. Yazbak voted no) to accept \$1,200 for Office Supplies.

MOTION by Ms. Alves, seconded by Mr. Zwolenski, and voted 4 to 1 on an aye vote (Mr. Yazbak voted no) to accept \$560 for Microfilming Expense.

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MOTION by Mr. Zwolenski, seconded by Ms. Alves, and voted 4 to 1 on an aye vote (Mr. Yazbak voted no) to adopt a budget of \$127,534.

PLANNING DIVISION

MOTION by Mr. Zwolenski, seconded by Ms. Alves, and voted 3 to 2

on an aye vote (Mr. McGee and Mr. Yazbak voted no) to accept \$39,000 for the Assistant Planner - GIS Analyst Salary.

MOTION by Mr. Zwolenski, seconded by Mr. McGee, and voted 4 to 1 on an aye vote (Mr. Yazbak voted no) to accept \$100 for Travel & Dues.

MOTION by Mr. Zwolenski, seconded by Mr. McGee, and voted 4 to 1 on an aye vote (Mr. Yazbak voted no) to accept \$650 for Office Supplies Expense.

MOTION by Ms. Alves, seconded by Mr. Zwolenski, and voted 4 to 1 on an aye vote (Mr. Yazbak voted no) to adopt a budget of \$113,388.

BOARD OF CANVASSERS

MOTION by Mr. Yazbak, seconded by Ms. Alves, and voted unanimously on an aye vote to adopt a budget of \$1,300.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT

MOTION by Mr. Zwolenski, seconded by Ms. Alves, and voted 3 to 2 on an aye vote (Mr. McGee and Mr. Yazbak voted no) to amend the Finance Director's Salary to \$72,500.

MOTION by Mr. Zwolenski to amend the Assistant Finance Director's Salary to \$44,350. There was no second.

MOTION by Ms. Alves, seconded by Mr. Flaherty, and voted 3 to 2 on an aye vote (Mr. McGee and Mr. Yazbak voted no) to amend the Assistant Finance Director's Salary to \$45,000.

MOTION by Mr. Zwolenski, seconded by Ms. Alves, and voted 3 to 2 on an aye vote (Mr. McGee and Mr. Yazbak voted no) to amend Longevity to \$4,400.

MOTION by Mr. Zwolenski, seconded by Ms. Alves, and voted 4 to 1 on an aye vote (Mr. Yazbak voted no) to accept \$600 for Maintenance.

MOTION by Ms. Alves, seconded by Mr. Zwolenski, and voted 4 to 1 on an aye vote (Mr. Yazbak voted no) to accept \$150 for Travel/Dues/Training.

MOTION by Ms. Alves to accept \$1,300 for Supplies. There was no second.

MOTION by Mr. Zwolenski, seconded by Ms. Alves, and voted 4 to 1 on an aye vote (Mr. Yazbak voted no) to amend Supplies to \$1,200.

MOTION by Ms. Alves, seconded by Mr. Zwolenski, and voted 4 to 1 on an aye vote (Mr. Yazbak voted no) to adopt a budget of \$191,124.

TAX ASSESSOR

MOTION by Mr. Yazbak to level fund the department budget at

\$119,086. There was no second.

MOTION by Mr. Zwolenski, seconded by Ms. Alves, and voted 4 to 1 on an aye vote (Mr. Yazbak voted no) to accept \$1,050 for Longevity.

MOTION by Mr. Zwolenski, seconded by Ms. Alves, and voted 4 to 1 on an aye vote (Mr. Yazbak voted no) to accept \$650 for Maintenance.

MOTION by Ms. Alves, seconded by Mr. Zwolenski, and voted 4 to 1 on an aye vote (Mr. Yazbak voted no) to accept \$574 for RI Vehicle Value Commission.

MOTION by Mr. Zwolenski, seconded by Ms. Alves, and voted 4 to 1 on an aye vote (Mr. Yazbak voted no) to accept \$250 for Dues.

MOTION by Ms. Alves, seconded by Mr. Zwolenski, and voted 4 to 1 on an aye vote (Mr. Yazbak voted no) to adopt a budget of \$127,414.

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TAX COLLECTOR

MOTION by Mr. Yazbak, seconded by Mr. Zwolenski, and voted unanimously on an aye vote to level fund the Education line item at \$200.

MOTION by Mr. Yazbak, seconded by Mr. Zwolenski, and voted

unanimously on an aye vote to accept \$500 for Maintenance.

MOTION by Mr. Zwolenski, seconded by Ms. Alves, and voted unanimously on an aye vote to accept \$1,200 for Office Supplies.

MOTION by Mr. Zwolenski, seconded by Ms. Alves, and voted 4 to 1 on an aye vote (Mr. Yazbak voted no) to adopt a budget of \$92,969.

BOARD OF TAX REVIEW

MOTION by Mr. Yazbak, seconded by Mr. Zwolenski, and voted unanimously on an aye vote to adopt a budget of \$1.

AUDITS AND COMPUTER SERVICES

MOTION by Mr. Yazbak to level fund the department at \$115,560. There was no second.

MOTION by Mr. Zwolenski, seconded by Ms. Alves, and voted 4 to 1 on an aye vote (Mr. Yazbak voted no) to accept \$10,411 for Comp Serv - Payroll.

MOTION by Mr. Zwolenski, seconded by Mr. Yazbak, and voted unanimously on an aye vote to accept \$15,000 for Hardware/Service.

MOTION by Mr. Zwolenski, seconded by Ms. Alves, and voted unanimously on an aye vote to accept \$6,000 for Bank Fees with the stipulation that the Town start looking for other banks with interest

bearing accounts.

MOTION by Ms. Alves, seconded by Mr. Zwolenski, and voted 4 to 1 on an aye vote (Mr. Yazbak voted no) adopt a budget of \$124,371.

ZONING BOARD

MOTION by Ms. Alves, seconded by Mr. Zwolenski, and voted 4 to 1 on an aye vote (Mr. Yazbak voted no) to accept \$2,580 for Secretary - Salary.

MOTION by Mr. Zwolenski, seconded by Ms. Alves, and voted 4 to 1 on an aye vote (Mr. Yazbak voted no) to accept \$50 for expenses.

MOTION by Ms. Alves, seconded by Mr. Zwolenski, and voted 4 to 1 on an aye vote (Mr. Yazbak voted no) to accept \$2,000 for Court Reporting.

MOTION by Ms. Alves, seconded by Mr. Zwolenski, and voted 4 to 1 on an aye vote (Mr. Yazbak voted no) to accept \$50 for Office Supplies.

MOTION by Ms. Alves, seconded by Mr. Zwolenski, and voted 4 to 1 on an aye vote (Mr. Yazbak voted no) to adopt a budget of \$4,680.

PERSONNEL BOARD

MOTION by Ms. Alves, seconded by Mr. Zwolenski, and voted 4 to 1

on an aye vote (Mr. Yazbak voted no) to adopt a budget of \$1.

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

MOTION by Mr. Zwolenski, seconded by Ms. Alves, and voted 3 to 2 on an aye vote (Mr. McGee and Mr. Yazbak voted no) to adopt a budget of \$1,686.

HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION

MOTION by Mr. Yazbak, seconded by Ms. Alves, and voted unanimously on an aye vote to level fund the budget at \$1.

HOUSING AUTHORITY

MOTION by Mr. Yazbak, seconded by Ms. Alves, and voted unanimously on an aye vote to level fund the budget at \$1.

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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

MOTION by Ms. Alves, seconded by Mr. Zwolenski, and voted 4 to 1 on an aye vote (Mr. Yazbak voted no) to adopt a budget of \$2,500.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMISSION

MOTION by Mr. Yazbak, seconded by Mr. Zwolenski, and voted unanimously on an aye vote to level fund the budget at \$1.

BUDGET COMMITTEE

MOTION by Mr. Yazbak, seconded by Mr. McGee, and voted 3 to 2 on a roll call vote (Mr. Zwolenski and Mr. Flaherty voted no) to adopt a budget of \$1.

JUVENILE HEARING BOARD

MOTION by Mr. Zwolenski, seconded by Ms. Alves, and voted unanimously on an aye vote to accept \$2,000 for the Coordinator Salary.

MOTION by Mr. Zwolenski, seconded by Ms. Alves, and voted unanimously on an aye vote to accept \$50 for Office Supplies.

MOTION by Mr. Zwolenski, seconded by Ms. Alves, and voted unanimously on an aye vote to adopt a budget of \$2,050.

TOWN HALL

MOTION by Mr. Yazbak, seconded by Ms. Alves, and voted unanimously on an aye vote to adopt a budget of \$9,900.

PLANT OPERATIONS

MOTION by Mr. Zwolenski, seconded by Ms. Alves, and voted unanimously on an aye vote to accept \$20,000 for Postage (to include Town Hall, Municipal Annex, DPW, EMA and Court).

MOTION by Mr. Zwolenski, seconded by Ms. Alves, and voted unanimously on an aye vote to accept \$1,900 for the Copier - Town Hall.

MOTION by Mr. Zwolenski, seconded by Ms. Alves, and voted unanimously on an aye vote to accept \$1,600 for the Copier - Annex.

MOTION by Mr. Zwolenski, seconded by Ms. Alves, and voted unanimously on an aye vote to accept \$400 for the Copier - DPW.

MOTION by Mr. Zwolenski, seconded by Ms. Alves, and voted unanimously on an aye vote to accept \$4,639 for Heat - Town Hall.

MOTION by Ms. Alves, seconded by Mr. Zwolenski, and voted unanimously on an aye vote to accept \$10,515 for Heat - Annex.

MOTION by Mr. Zwolenski, seconded by Ms. Alves, and voted unanimously on an aye vote to accept \$5,258 for Heat - DPW.

MOTION by Mr. Zwolenski, seconded by Ms. Alves, and voted unanimously on an aye vote to accept \$482 for Heat - EMA.

MOTION by Mr. Zwolenski, seconded by Ms. Alves, and voted unanimously on an aye vote to accept \$2,629 for Heat - Scouters.

MOTION by Mr. Zwolenski, seconded by Ms. Alves, and voted

unanimously on an aye vote to accept \$5,300 for Heat - Animal Control.

MOTION by Mr. Zwolenski, seconded by Ms. Alves, and voted unanimously on an aye vote to accept \$8,000 for Electric - Town Hall.

MOTION by Ms. Alves, seconded by Mr. Zwolenski, and voted unanimously on an aye vote to accept \$15,500 for Electric - Annex.

MOTION by Mr. Zwolenski, seconded by Mr. McGee, and voted unanimously on an aye vote to accept \$7,711 for Electric - DPW.

MOTION by Mr. Zwolenski, seconded by Ms. Alves, and voted unanimously on an aye vote to accept \$400 for Electric - EMA.

MOTION by Ms. Alves, seconded by Mr. Zwolenski, and voted unanimously on an aye vote to accept \$1,500 for Electric - Scouters Hall.

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MOTION by Mr. McGee, seconded by Mr. Yazbak, and voted 4 to 1 on an aye vote (Mr. Yazbak voted no) to accept \$200 for Water - Town Hall; \$500 for Water - Annex; \$550 for Water - DPW; \$11,500 for Water & Sewer - All Plants; \$12,371 for Telephone - Town Hall; \$29,265 for Telephone - Annex; \$6,186 for Telephone - DPW; \$500 for Telephone -

EMA; and \$722 for Telephone - Animal Control.

MOTION by Mr. Zwolenski, seconded by Ms. Alves, and voted 4 to 1 on an aye vote (Mr. Yazbak voted no) to adopt a budget of \$172,628.

PRINTING AND ADVERTISING

MOTION by Mr. Yazbak, seconded by Mr. Zwolenski, and voted unanimously on an aye vote to adopt a budget of \$17,000.

CONTINGENCY FUND

MOTION by Mr. Yazbak to level fund this budget at \$285,021. There was no second.

MOTION by Mr. Yazbak, seconded by Mr. Zwolenski, and voted unanimously on an aye vote to zero out Council Donations and consider that later under Grants and Donations.

MOTION by Mr. Flaherty, seconded by Mr. McGee, and voted 4 to 1 on an aye vote (Mr. Yazbak voted no) to accept \$108,375 for Contingency - Infrastructure.

MOTION by Mr. Yazbak and seconded by Mr. McGee, to have no Fund Balance Restoration. On a roll call vote the motion failed 3 to 2 with Ms. Alves, Mr. Zwolenski and Mr. Flaherty voting no.

MOTION by Mr. Zwolenski, seconded by Ms. Alves, and voted 3 to 2

on an aye vote (Mr. McGee and Mr. Yazbak voted no) to accept \$50,000 for Fund Balance Restoration.

MOTION by Ms. Alves, seconded by Mr. Zwolenski, and voted 3 to 2 on an aye vote (Mr. McGee and Mr. Yazbak voted no) to adopt a budget of \$516,275. This amount was incorrect and the motion was subsequently withdrawn.

MOTION by Mr. Zwolenski, seconded by Ms. Alves, and voted 3 to 2 on an aye vote (Mr. McGee and Mr. Yazbak voted no) to adopt a budget of \$566,275.

SCOUTERS HALL

MOTION by Mr. Zwolenski, seconded by Ms. Alves, and voted unanimously on an aye vote to adopt a budget of \$1,250.

NS PUBLIC LIBRARY

MOTION by Mr. Zwolenski, seconded by Ms. Alves, and voted unanimously on an aye vote to accept \$298,137 as the Town's portion of funding.

MOTION by Mr. Yazbak, seconded by Mr. Zwolenski, and voted unanimously on an aye vote to accept \$63,341 as the State's portion of funding.

MOTION by Mr. Yazbak, seconded by Mr. Zwolenski, and voted

unanimously on an aye vote to adopt a budget of \$361,478.

MOTION by Mr. Zwolenski, seconded by Ms. Alves, and voted unanimously on an aye vote to take a five-minute recess at 9:55 P.M.

The meeting resumed at 10:00 P.M.

MOTION by Ms. Alves, seconded by Mr. Zwolenski, and voted unanimously on an aye vote at 10:00 P.M. to extend the meeting to 11:00 P.M.

TOWN CLERK

MOTION by Mr. Zwolenski, seconded by Ms. Alves, and voted unanimously on an aye vote to amend the total budget from \$127,534 to \$127,759 based upon information from Finance Director MacDonald.

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CONTINGENCY FUND

MOTION by Mr. Zwolenski, seconded by Ms. Alves, and voted 4 to 1 on an aye vote (Mr. Yazbak voted no) to amend the total budget from \$566,275 to \$602,375 based upon information from Finance Director MacDonald.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

MOTION by Ms. Alves, seconded by Mr. McGee, and voted unanimously on an aye vote to accept \$20,000 for In-Service Training.

MOTION by Mr. Zwolenski, seconded by Ms. Alves, and voted unanimously on an aye vote to accept \$6,000 for the B.C.I. Room.

MOTION by Mr. Zwolenski, seconded by Ms. Alves, and voted unanimously on an aye vote to accept \$25,000 for Training/Fire Arms.

MOTION by Mr. Zwolenski, seconded by Ms. Alves, and voted unanimously on an aye vote to accept \$6,500 for Maintenance.

MOTION by Ms. Alves, seconded by Mr. Zwolenski, and voted unanimously on an aye vote to accept \$10,728 for IMC - Software & Fees.

MOTION by Mr. Zwolenski, seconded by Ms. Alves, and voted unanimously on an aye vote to accept zero dollars for Postage.

MOTION by Ms. Alves, seconded by Mr. Zwolenski, and voted unanimously on an aye vote to accept \$10,000 for Medical/Job Related.

MOTION by Mr. Zwolenski, seconded by Ms. Alves, and voted

unanimously on an aye vote to accept \$8,000 for Office Supplies.

MOTION by Ms. Alves, seconded by Mr. Zwolenski, and voted 4 to 1 on an aye vote (Mr. Yazbak voted no) to adopt a budget of \$2,018,942.

SEWER AND WATER BUDGETS

MOTION by Mr. Yazbak, seconded by Ms. Alves, and voted unanimously on an aye vote to postpone adoption of these budgets to July 15, 2013.

ANIMAL CONTROL

MOTION by Mr. Zwolenski to adopt a budget of \$57,853. There was no second.

MOTION by Ms. Alves, seconded by Mr. Zwolenski, and voted 4 to 1 on an aye vote (Mr. Yazbak voted no) to adopt a budget of \$56,828.

EMA

MOTION by Ms. Alves, seconded by Mr. McGee, and voted unanimously on an aye vote to accept \$500 for Clothing.

MOTION by Ms. Alves, seconded by Mr. McGee, and voted unanimously on an aye vote to accept \$500 for Training.

MOTION by Ms. Alves, seconded by Mr. McGee and Mr. Zwolenski, and voted 4 to 1 on an aye vote (Mr. Yazbak voted no) to adopt a

budget of \$11,250.

NORTH SMITHFIELD FIRE DEPARTMENT

MOTION by Ms. Alves, seconded by Mr. Zwolenski, and voted unanimously on an aye vote to adopt a budget of \$2,386,768.

HYDRANT RENTAL

MOTION by Ms. Alves, seconded by Mr. Zwolenski, and voted unanimously on an aye vote to adopt a budget of \$50,000.

INSPECTION DIVISION

MOTION by Mr. Zwolenski, seconded by Mr. Yazbak, and voted 3 to 2 on a roll call vote (Mr. McGee and Mr. Yazbak voted no) to accept \$10,000 for P/T Zoning Inspector - Salary.

MOTION by Mr. Zwolenski, seconded by Ms. Alves, and voted unanimously on an aye vote to accept \$200 for Travel/Dues/Education.

MOTION by Mr. Zwolenski, seconded by Ms. Alves, and voted unanimously on an aye vote to accept \$400 for Office Supplies.

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MOTION by Mr. Zwolenski, seconded by Ms. Alves, and voted 4 to 1 on an aye vote (Mr. Yazbak voted no) to adopt a budget of \$115,403.

DPW - ADMINISTRATION

Ms. Alves recused herself from this discussion.

MOTION by Mr. Zwolenski, seconded by Mr. Yazbak, and voted 3 to 1 on a roll call vote (Mr. Yazbak voted no) to adopt a budget of \$82,658.

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

MOTION by Mr. Yazbak to adopt a budget of \$712,577. There was no second.

MOTION by Mr. Zwolenski, seconded by Ms. Alves, and voted 4 to 1 on an aye vote (Mr. Yazbak voted no) to accept \$405,771 for Personnel.

MOTION by Mr. Zwolenski and seconded by Ms. Alves at 10:50 P.M. to suspend Council rules and extend the meeting until the budget discussion is done.

The motion and second were withdrawn.

MOTION by Mr. Yazbak, seconded by Mr. Zwolenski, and voted unanimously on an aye vote to extend the meeting until 12:00 A.M.

MOTION by Mr. Zwolenski, seconded by Ms. Alves, and voted 4 to 1 on an aye vote (Mr. Yazbak voted no) to accept \$200,000 for Road

Resurfacing.

MOTION by Mr. Zwolenski, seconded by Mr. Yazbak, and voted 4 to 1 on an aye vote (Mr. Yazbak voted no) to accept the remainder of the Budget Committee's recommendations.

MOTION by Mr. Zwolenski, seconded by Ms. Alves, and voted 4 to 1 on an aye vote (Mr. Yazbak voted no) to adopt a budget of \$944,460.

PARKS AND RECREATION

MOTION by Mr. Zwolenski, seconded by Ms. Alves, and voted 4 to 1 on an aye vote (Mr. Yazbak voted no) to adopt a budget of \$73,503.

TREE WARDEN

MOTION by Mr. Yazbak, seconded by Ms. Alves, and voted unanimously on an aye vote to adopt a budget of \$3,730.

STREET LIGHTS

MOTION by Mr. Yazbak, seconded by Ms. Alves, and voted unanimously on an aye vote to adopt a budget of \$200,000.

RUBBISH DISPOSAL

MOTION by Mr. Zwolenski, seconded by Mr. Yazbak and Ms. Alves, and voted 4 to 1 on an aye vote (Mr. Yazbak voted no) to adopt a budget of \$624,674.

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

MOTION by Mr. Yazbak, seconded by Ms. Alves and Mr. Zwolenski, and voted unanimously on an aye vote to adopt a budget of \$1.

DEBT SERVICE - PRINCIPLE

MOTION by Ms. Alves, seconded by Mr. Yazbak and Mr. Zwolenski, and voted unanimously on an aye vote to adopt a budget of \$1,976,509.

DEBT SERVICE - INTEREST

MOTION by Mr. Yazbak, seconded by Mr. Zwolenski and Ms. Alves, and voted unanimously on an aye vote to adopt a budget of \$1,438,333.

EMPLOYEE BENEFITS

MOTION by Mr. Flaherty and seconded by Ms. Alves to adopt a budget of \$1,710,792. On a roll call vote the motion failed with Mr. McGee, Mr. Yazbak and Mr. Zwolenski voting no.

MOTION by Mr. Flaherty, seconded by Mr. Zwolenski, and voted 4 to 1 on an aye vote (Mr. Yazbak voted no) to adopt a budget of \$1,685,792.

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INSURANCE

MOTION by Mr. Zwolenski, seconded by Ms. Alves, and voted

unanimously on an aye vote to adopt a budget of \$192,000.

SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

MOTION by Ms. Alves, seconded by Mr. Zwolenski, and voted 3 to 2 on a roll call vote (Mr. McGee and Mr. Yazbak voted no) to adopt a budget of \$23,604,654.

GRANTS AND CONTRIBUTIONS

MOTION by Mr. Flaherty and seconded by Mr. Zwolenski to accept \$2,500 for We The People.

The motion and second were withdrawn.

MOTION by Mr. Zwolenski and seconded by Mr. Flaherty to accept \$3,000 for We The People.

The motion and second were withdrawn.

MOTION by Mr. Yazbak, seconded by Mr. Zwolenski, and voted 4 to 1 on a roll call vote (Ms. Alves voted no) to accept \$3,600 for We The People.

MOTION by Mr. Flaherty, seconded by Mr. Yazbak and Mr. Zwolenski, and voted unanimously on an aye vote to accept a zero dollar budget for Senior Citizens Mini Bus.

MOTION by Mr. Zwolenski, seconded by Mr. Yazbak, and voted unanimously on an aye vote to accept \$1,000 for Friends of NS Animal Shelter.

MOTION by Mr. Yazbak, seconded by Mr. Zwolenski, and voted unanimously on an aye vote to accept \$5,000 for Senior Services, Inc.

MOTION by Mr. Zwolenski to accept \$5,000 for R.S.V.P. There was no second.

MOTION by Mr. Zwolenski, seconded by Ms. Alves, and voted unanimously on an aye vote to accept \$4,000 for R.S.V.P.

MOTION by Mr. Zwolenski, seconded by Ms. Alves, and voted unanimously on an aye vote to accept the remaining recommendations of the Budget Committee.

MOTION by Mr. Yazbak, seconded by Mr. Zwolenski, and voted unanimously on an aye vote to adopt a total budget of \$23,500.

TOTAL EXPENDITURE BUDGET

MOTION by Ms. Alves, seconded by Mr. Zwolenski, and voted 3 to 2 on a roll call vote (Mr. McGee and Mr. Yazbak voted no) to adopt a budget of \$37,785,879.

TOTAL REVENUE BUDGET

MOTION by Mr. Flaherty, seconded by Mr. Yazbak, and voted 4 to 1 on a roll call vote (Mr. Yazbak voted no) to accept the Budget Committee recommendations for Prior Year Taxes (\$470,500), Town Clerk - Other Fees (\$300,370), Building Inspector (\$157,000), Police Department (\$38,200) and Miscellaneous Receipts (\$352,000).

MOTION by Mr. Zwolenski, seconded by Mr. Yazbak, and voted unanimously on an aye vote at 12:00 A.M. to extend the meeting to 12:30 A.M.

MOTION by Mr. Flaherty, seconded by Mr. Zwolenski, and voted 4 to 1 on a roll call vote (Mr. Yazbak voted no) to set the current tax budget at \$28,863,672, an increase of \$968,981.

MOTION by Mr. Zwolenski, seconded by Ms. Alves, and voted 3 to 2 on a roll call vote (Mr. McGee and Mr. Yazbak voted no) to accept \$37,785,879 as the total revenue budget.

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METHOD OF TAX COLLECTION

MOTION by Ms. Alves, seconded by Mr. Zwolenski, and voted 3 to 2 on a roll call vote (Mr. McGee and Mr. Yazbak voted no) to adopt the following method of tax collection: “SHALL THIS TOWN COUNCIL

VOTE AS FOLLOWS: That the finance director be and is hereby authorized to pay each order when approved by the town council, by the school committee or the director of public aid, as the case may be. That the finance director be and is hereby authorized to apply receipts for the interest on overdue taxes toward the payment of interest on bonds and notes of the town. That the finance director be and is hereby authorized, within the consent of the town council, to hire such sum or sums of money as may be necessary to carry on the business of the town for the ensuing year. That the finance director be and is hereby authorized to pay the town's debts and interest. **IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED:** That the North Smithfield Town Council, in a meeting legally assembled on June 20, 2013, hereby orders a levy apportionment and collection of a tax on the ratable real estate, tangible personal property and an excise tax on registered motor vehicles and trailers in a sum of not less than \$28,000,000.00, nor more than \$30,000,000.00. Said taxes are for ordinary expenses and charges, for the payment of interest and indebtedness in whole or in part of said town and for the other expenses or purposes authorized by law. The tax assessor shall assess and apportion said tax on the inhabitants and ratable property of said town as of the thirty-first (31st) day of December A.D. 2012, at twelve (12) o'clock midnight Eastern Standard Time or Daylight Savings Time, with exception of new construction, as the case may be according to law and delivered to and deposited the same in the office of the town administrator on or before the thirtieth (30th) day of June 2013. The town administrator, on receipt of said assessment, shall forthwith make a

copy of same and deliver it to the finance director, who shall forthwith issue and affix to said copy a warrant under his/her hand directed to the collector of taxes of the town, commanding him/her to proceed and collect said tax of the person and estate liable therefore, said tax shall be due and payable no later than the fifteenth (15th) day of August, 2013, and all taxes remaining unpaid no later than the fifteenth (15th) day of August, 2013, shall carry until collected a penalty at a rate of twelve (12) percent per annum, unless specifically abated by a vote of the Town Council under Title 44 of the General Laws of RI, 1956, as amended. Said tax may be paid in four (4) installments, the first installment of twenty-five (25) percent no later than the fifteenth (15th) day of August, A.D., 2013, and the remaining installments as follows: twenty-five (25) percent on the fifteenth (15th) day of October, A.D., 2013 and twenty-five (25) percent on the fifteenth (15th) day of January A.D., 2014 and the remaining twenty-five (25) percent on the fifteenth (15th) day of April, A.D., 2014.

Each installment of taxes, if paid on or before the last day of each installment period successively and in order, shall be free from any charge for penalty. If the first installment or any succeeding installment 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 carry until collected a penalty at a rate of twelve (12) percent per annum from the first quarter due date or the last satisfied quarter unless specifically abated by a vote of the town council under Title 44 of the General

Laws of RI, 1956, as amended. Quarterly payment option shall not apply to any tax levied in an amount not in excess of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) in which case such tax shall be payable in a single installment.”

Mr. Yazbak questioned if the savings would be passed on to the residential homeowners.

Ms. Hamilton stated that was definitely the direction they were looking and they would maintain the two-tier system.

YEAR-END TRANSFERS

MOTION by Mr. Yazbak, seconded by Ms. Alves, and voted 4 to 1 on a roll call vote (Mr. McGee voted no) to approve the transfers as presented and recommended by the Finance Director and the Town Administrator:

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Transferred From Account #4122-328 Lawyer/Arbitration \$20,000; #4141-313 Election Exp \$2,500; #4141-313 Postage/Redistrict \$2,000; #4812-520 Insurance \$14,000; #4131-742 Vehicle Repair \$700; #4153-265 Tax Sale \$15,000; #4155-346 Comp Serv-GL \$12,000; #4155-351 Hardware Serv \$7,500; #4155-326 Audit \$2,000 and #4155-327 Contr Serv-Audit \$610.

Transferred To Account #4192-345 Postage \$5,500; #4192-622 Electric \$6,000; #4163-311 Conservation \$10; #4221-741 NS Fire-Fire Equip \$3,000; #4221-742 NS Fire-Vehicle Maint \$2,000; #4311-156 Highway Consultant \$14,000; #4314-311 Street Lights \$19,000; #4211-192 Longevity \$1,800; and #4211-161 Police OT \$25,000.

MOTION by Ms. Alves, seconded by Mr. Zwolenski, and voted unanimously on an aye vote to adjourn at 12:10 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Debra A. Todd, Town Clerk