

2013  
TOWN OF DALTON  
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING  
NESSACUS MIDDLE SCHOOL – OCTOBER 29, 2013 – 7:00 P.M.

The Moderator, Ronald J. Marcella, Sr., called the Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Deborah Deane Smith, and Michelle PH White were appointed tellers and sworn by Town Clerk, Barbara L. Suriner. There was a total of 38 Registered Voters checked at the door as follows:

PRECINCT 1 - 23  
PRECINCT 2 - 15  
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ARTICLE 1. It was moved, seconded and voted that the Town divide the question as follows:

CARRIED. UNANIMOUSLY.

- a) I move that the Town vote to approve the funding of \$8,574.00 for the first year of a Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Town and the Dalton Patrol Officers Union, MCOP, Local 906, as appropriated below in Article 5, Department 210, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2013.

CARRIED. DECLARED MAJORITY (1 NO)

- b) I move that the Town vote to transfer the sum of \$5,000.00 from the General Stabilization Fund to Fund 246, Police Outside Detail, for the purpose of funding the first year of a Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Town and the Dalton Patrol Officers Union, MCOP, Local 906.

CARRIED. UNANIMOUSLY.

The funding for Article 1 was then voted as follows:

- a) It was moved, seconded and voted that the Town approve the funding of \$8,574.00 for the first year of a Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Town and the Dalton Patrol Officers Union, MCOP, Local 906, as appropriated below in Article 5, Department 210, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2013.

CARRIED. UNANIMOUSLY.

- b) It was moved, seconded and voted that the Town transfer the sum of \$5,000.00 from the General Stabilization Fund to Fund 246, Police Outside Detail, for the purpose of funding the first year of a Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Town and the Dalton Patrol Officers Union, MCOP, Local 906.

TWO-THIRDS VOTE REQUIRED

CARRIED. UNANIMOUSLY.

ARTICLE 2. It was moved, seconded and voted that the Town approve the funding of \$1,390.00 for the first year of a Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Town and the Dalton Highway/ Cemetery Association as appropriated in Article 5 below, Departments 491 and 650 for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2013.

CARRIED. UNANIMOUSLY.

ARTICLE 3. It was moved, seconded and voted that the Town approve the funding of the first year of a Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Town and the Dalton Dispatchers Association, as appropriated in Article 5 below, Department 222, in the amount of \$3,150.00 for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2013.

TWO-THIRDS VOTE REQUIRED.

CARRIED. UNANIMOUSLY.

ARTICLE 4. It was moved, seconded and voted that the Town amend the "Schedule of Compensation for Elected Officials" for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2013, pursuant to the requirements of MGL Chapter 41, Section 108, by increasing the salary of the Town Clerk by \$3,101.00

TWO-THIRDS VOTE REQUIRED.

CARRIED. UNANIMOUSLY.

ARTICLE 5. It was moved, seconded and voted that the Town amend the vote taken under Article 4 at the Annual Town Meeting on May 6, 2013, to increase or reduce the sums of money raised and appropriated for several departments as shown in the handout and totaling a reduction of \$75,113.00 and that the same be expended only for such purposes.

Department	Salaries	Expenses
123 Town Manager, (Town Mgr. & Adm. Asst.)	\$1,635.00	
135 Town Accountant	\$3,138.00	
145 Town Treasurer, (Treasurer & Asst. Treas.)	\$3,694.00	
146 Town Collector (Collector & Asst. Coll. & adjustment for "vacation replacement")	\$7,062.00	
154 Recording Secretaries	\$46.00	
161 Town Clerk, (Clerk & Asst. Clerk)	\$5,266.00	
162 Elections	\$28.00	
163 Registrars	\$64.00	
175 Planning Board & Board of Appeals	\$219.00	
210 Police Department (all employees & adjustment for projected shortfall)	\$22,017.00	
222 Communications Department (all employees)	\$4,088.00	
240 Building Inspector	\$404.00	
244 Sealer of Weights & Measures	\$13.00	
247 Animal Inspector	\$11.00	
292 Animal Control	\$201.00	
294 Forest Warden	\$25.00	
296 Tree Warden	\$21.00	
320 Vocational Education (reduction)		(\$100,000.00)
491 Cemetery Department (all employees)	\$1,042.00	
510 Board of Health	\$289.00	
522 Public Health Nurse	\$60.00	
541 Council on Aging	\$905.00	
543 Veteran's Services	\$67.00	\$20,000.00
610 Library	\$2,504.00	
650 Parks Maintenance, (all employees)	\$488.00	
691 Historical Commission		\$600.00
914 Group Health Insurance, (reduction)		(\$52,000.00)
916 Medicare Town Share		\$3,000.00
<b>TOTALS</b>	\$53,287.00	(\$128,400.00)

CARRIED. UNANIMOUSLY.

ARTICLE 6. It was moved, seconded and voted to have two separate votes, the first being to appropriate additional funds for a plow truck and the second being to appropriate funds to perform an engineering study of the Town's sewer system as follows:

CARRIED. UNANIMOUSLY.

- a) I move that the Town vote to amend the vote taken under Article 15 of the May 6, 2013 Annual Town Meeting to appropriate an additional \$20,000.00 for the purpose of purchasing a fully equipped plow truck, and authorize borrowing including borrowing costs associated with said borrowing and all other costs incidental or related thereto; that to meet this appropriation the Treasurer, with the approval of the Select Board is authorized to borrow said sums under G.L. c.44, §7(3A) or any other enabling authority, that the Select Board is authorized to contract for and expend any federal or state aid available for this program; and that the Select Board is authorized to take any other action necessary to carry out this project.

CARRIED. UNANIMOUSLY.

- b) I move that the Town vote to appropriate the sum of \$120,000.00 for the purpose of performing an engineering study of the Town's Sewer System and, authorize borrowing including borrowing costs associated with said borrowing and all other costs incidental or related thereto; that to meet this appropriation the Treasurer with the approval of the Select Board is authorized to borrow said sums under G.L. c.44, §7(3A) or any other enabling authority, that the Select Board is authorized to contract for and expend any federal or state aid available for this program; and that the Select Board is authorized to take any other action necessary to carry out this project.

CARRIED. YES – 26 NO – 8

The funding for Article 6 was then voted as follows:

- a) It was moved, seconded and voted that the Town to amend the vote taken under Article 15 of the May 6, 2013 Annual Town Meeting to appropriate an additional \$20,000.00 for the purpose of purchasing a fully equipped plow truck, and authorize borrowing(s) including borrowing costs associated with said borrowing(s) and all other costs incidental or related thereto; that to meet this appropriation the Treasurer with the approval of the Select Board is authorized to borrow said sums under G.L. c.44, §7(3A) or any other enabling authority, that the Select Board is authorized to contract for and expend any federal or state aid available for this program; and that the Select Board is authorized to take any other action necessary to carry out this project.

TWO-THIRDS VOTE REQUIRED.

CARRIED. UNANIMOUSLY.

- b) It was moved, seconded and voted that the Town appropriate the sum of \$120,000.00 for the purpose of performing an engineering study of the Town's Sewer System and , and authorize borrowing(s) including borrowing costs associated with said borrowing(s) and all other costs incidental or related thereto; that to meet this appropriation the Treasurer with the approval of the Select Board is authorized to borrow said sums under G.L. c.44, §7(3A) or any other enabling authority, that the Select Board is authorized to contract for and expend any federal or state aid available for this program; and that the Select Board is authorized to take any other action necessary to carry out this project.

TWO-THIRDS VOTE REQUIRED

CARRIED. UNANIMOUSLY.

- ARTICLE 7. It was moved, seconded and voted that the Town transfer a total of \$798.00 from the General Stabilization Fund for the purpose of paying unpaid bills from fiscal year 2013 pursuant to the requirements of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44, Section 64.

NINE-TENTHS VOTE REQUIRED.

CARRIED. UNANIMOUSLY.

Barbara L. Suriner, TOWN CLERK

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