

-APPROVED-
BRUNSWICK TOWN COUNCIL
Special Meeting Minutes
May 26, 2011
7:00 P.M.
Municipal Meeting Room
Maine Street Station
16 Station Avenue

Councilors Present: Chair Joanne T. King, W. David Watson, Benjamin J. Tucker, Suzan Wilson, John M. Perreault, Gerald E. Favreau, Margo H. Knight, E. Benet Pols, and Deborah R. Atwood

Councilors Absent: None

Town Staff Present: Gary Brown, Town Manager; Fran Smith, Town Clerk/Assistant to Town Manager; Paul Perzanoski, Superintendent of Schools; Jim Oikle, School Business Manager; John Eldridge, Finance Director; Tom Farrell, Director of Parks and Recreation; Richard Rizzo, Police Chief; Marc Hagan, Police Commander; John Foster, Public Works Director; Ken Brilliant, Fire Chief; Jeffrey Emerson, Deputy Fire Chief; Don Koslosky, Deputy Fire Chief; Terry Goan, Police Officer; and TV video crew.

Chair King called the meeting to order and asked for the Pledge of Allegiance and roll call.

Public Comments on Budget

Pem Schaeffer, Crestview Lane, spoke on the budget relative to the cost of education and the need for reductions.

NEW BUSINESS ITEMS:

- 46. The Town Council will consider adopting the 2011-2012 School Budget Articles, and will take any appropriate action.**

Article 1. Region Ten Technical High School Budget.

Councilor Tucker moved, Councilor Perreault seconded, to approve the Region Ten Technical High School budget as approved by the Cooperative Board of Region Ten in an amount not to exceed \$1,911,360 with Brunswick's assessment as part of the total appropriation to the Brunswick School Department being an amount not to exceed \$678,570 for operating expenditures and \$0 for debt service expenditures. The motion carried with nine (9) yeas.

Article 2. Merrymeeting Adult Education Budget.

Councilor Favreau moved, Councilor Knight seconded, to approve the Merrymeeting Adult Education budget in an amount not to exceed \$724,393 with Brunswick's assessment

as part of the total appropriation to the Brunswick School Department not to exceed \$100,486. The motion carried with nine (9) yeas.

Article 3. Local Contribution Required under EPS to Receive Full State Dollars; and State Subsidy.

Mr. Oikle explained this article and essential programs.

Councilor Pols asked a question, to which Mr. Perzanoski responded.

Councilor Tucker moved, Councilor Perreault seconded, as part of the total appropriation to the Brunswick School Department, to appropriate the sum of \$28,183,249 toward the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act; and as part of the \$28,183,249 to raise the sum of \$16,469,856 as the Town's contribution toward the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act in accordance with the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 20-A, section 15688; and as part of the \$28,183,249 to accept state subsidy anticipated in the amount of \$11,713,393. The motion carried with nine (9) yeas.

Article 4. Non-State-Funded Debt Service.

Councilor Favreau asked a question, to which Manager Brown and Mr. Oikle responded.

Councilor Tucker moved, Councilor Perreault seconded, as part of the total appropriation to the Brunswick School Department, to appropriate the sum of \$844,922 and to raise the sum of \$133,469 and to apply the sum of \$711,453 from the existing or estimated unexpended fund balance of the Brunswick School Department for the annual payments on debt service previously approved by the legislative body for non-state-funded school construction projects, non-state-funded portions of school construction projects and minor capital projects in addition to the funds appropriated as the local share of the school administrative unit's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade 12. The motion carried with nine (9) yeas.

Article 5. Additional Local Funds.

Councilor Watson asked a question, to which Mr. Oikle responded.

Councilor Perreault moved, Councilor Favreau seconded, as part of the total appropriation to the Brunswick School Department, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$0 in additional local funds, which exceeds the State's Essential Programs and Services allocation model by \$0. The motion carried with nine (9) yeas

Article 6. Other Funds.

Chair King asked a question, to which Mr Oikle responded.

Councilor Pols moved, Councilor Favreau seconded, as part of the total appropriation, to the Brunswick School Department: To accept funds from other sources as estimated below and to appropriate the amount of \$605,600.

<u>Federal School Subsidy</u>	<u>\$ 97,500</u>
<u>Tuition and other charges</u>	<u>433,600</u>
<u>Miscellaneous</u>	<u>74,500</u>
	<u>\$ 605,600</u>

The motion carried with nine (9) yeas.

Article 7. Unexpended Balances.

Councilor Favreau moved, Councilor Pols seconded, as part of the total appropriation to the Brunswick School Department, to appropriate \$2,788,547 from the existing, or estimated, unexpended balances of the Brunswick School Department. The motion carried with nine (9) yeas

Article 8. Kindergarten to Grade 12 total Budget.

Councilor Pols moved, Councilor Knight seconded, to authorize the Brunswick School Department to expend \$32,422,318 for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2011 and ending June 30, 2012 from the school administrative unit's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act, non-state-funded school construction projects, additional local funds for school purposes under the Maine Revised Statutes title 20-A section 15690, unexpended balances, tuition receipts, state subsidy, and other receipts for the support of schools. The motion carried with nine (9) yeas.

Article 9. Adult Education.

Councilor Pols asked a question, to which Mr. Oikle responded.

Councilor Perreault moved, Councilor Pols seconded, as part of the total appropriation to the Brunswick School Department, to appropriate \$100,486 for adult education and to raise \$69,486 as the local share; and to accept state subsidy anticipated in the amount of \$31,000; with authorization to expend the herein appropriated \$100,486 and any additional, incidental, or miscellaneous receipts in the interest and for the well-being of the adult education program. The motion carried with nine (9) yeas.

Article 10. Food Service.

Councilor Pols moved, Councilor Favreau seconded, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$86,000 in additional local dollars in support of the Brunswick School Nutrition Program,

and to authorize expenditure of the herein appropriated \$86,000 for the stated purpose. The motion carried with nine (9) yeas.

Article 11. Cost Center Allocation.

Mr. Perzanoski responded to questions from Councilor Atwood, Chair King, and Councilor Favreau.

Councilor Pols moved, Councilor Favreau seconded, to authorize allocation of the school budget, \$33,301,672 to the various cost centers as recommended by the Brunswick School Board May 4, 2011 as follows:

Cost Center Summary by Budget Category	Amount Recommended by	Amount Approved
	School Board	Town Council
Regular Instruction	\$ 14,155,868	\$ 14,155,868
Special Education	\$ 3,826,605	\$ 3,826,605
Career and Technical Education	\$ 678,570	\$ 678,570
Other Instruction	\$ 576,575	\$ 576,575
Student and staff support	\$ 3,068,189	\$ 3,068,189
System Administration	\$ 870,549	\$ 870,549
School Administration	\$ 1,318,853	\$ 1,318,853
Transportation and Buses	\$ 1,597,927	\$ 1,597,927
Facilities Maintenance	\$ 3,288,259	\$ 3,288,259
Debt Service and Other Commitments	\$ 3,040,923	\$ 3,040,923
All Other Expenditures	\$ 86,000	\$ 86,000
Total to June 7 Public Referendum	\$ 32,508,318	\$ 32,508,318
ARRA Jobs Bill	\$ 692,868	\$ 692,868
Adult Education	\$ 100,486	\$ 100,486
Summary of Total Expenditures voted By School Board May 4	\$ 33,301,672	\$ 33,301,672

The motion carried with nine (9) yeas.

Article 12. Grants, Donations, and other revenues.

Councilor Perreault moved, Councilor Knight seconded, to authorize the Brunswick School Department to make application for grants and other revenues as opportunities may become available, to appropriate such revenues to the purpose for which received, and to authorize the Brunswick School Department to accept and expend any grant awards, donations, or other revenues that may be received. The motion carried with nine (9) yeas.

(A copy of the articles and cost center document will be attached to the official minutes.)

47. The Town Council will consider a warrant for the School Budget Validation Referendum to be held on June 7, 2011, and will take any appropriate action.

Councilor Perreault moved, Councilor Favreau seconded, to approve the Election Warrant for the School Budget Validation Referendum to be held on June 7, 2011. The motion carried with nine (9) yeas.

(A copy of the Warrant will be attached to the official minutes.)

48. The Town Council will consider adopting the 2011-2012 Budget Resolution for the Town, and will take any appropriate action.

Councilor Perreault said he would like to see another 1% taken out of the municipal budget.

Councilor Wilson and Councilor Favreau spoke on this item.

Councilor Watson, Councilor Perreault, Chair King and Councilor Wilson asked questions to which either Manager Brown or Mr. Eldridge responded.

Councilor Tucker moved, Councilor Watson seconded, to adopt the Budget Resolution for the July 1, 2011 – June 30, 2012 Fiscal Year. The motion carried with eight (8) yeas. Councilor Perreault was opposed.

(A copy of the Budget Resolution will be attached to the official minutes.)

49. The Town Council will consider any other matters related to the adoption of the 2011-2012 Budget and will take any appropriate action.

There were no other matters to be considered.

Councilor Watson moved, Councilor Tucker seconded, to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried with nine (9) yeas.

The meeting adjourned at 8:06 p.m.

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*Frances M. Smith
Town Clerk
June 1, 2011*

June 6, 2011
Date of Approval

Council Chair