

**-Approved-**  
**BRUNSWICK TOWN COUNCIL**  
**Special Meeting**  
**Minutes**  
**May 31, 2012**

**Councilors Present:** Chair Joanne T. King, W. David Watson, Benjamin J. Tucker, Suzan Wilson, Gerald E. Favreau, Margo H. Knight, Sarah E. Brayman, and E. Benet Pols

**Councilors Absent:** Councilor John M. Perreault

**Town Staff Present:** Gary Brown, Town Manager; Fran Smith, Town Clerk/Assistant to Town Manager; Paul Perzanoski, Superintendent of Schools; John Eldridge, Finance Director; Anna Breinich, Director of Planning and Development; Tom Farrell, Director of Parks and Recreation; John Foster, Public Works Director; Richard Rizzo, Police Chief; Kenneth Brilliant, Fire Chief; Cathy Donovan, Assessor; and TV video crew

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

**Public comments**

**Pem Schaeffer**, 32 Crestview Lane, spoke on the school budget and errors in the adoption of the teachers' union contract.

**NEW BUSINESS ITEMS:**

- 60. The Town Council will consider adopting the 2012-2013 School Budget Articles, and will take any appropriate action. (Manager)**

**ARTICLE 1. Region Ten Technical High School Budget.**

**Councilor Tucker moved, Councilor Brayman seconded, to approve the Region Ten Technical High School budget in an amount not to exceed \$1,906,479 with Brunswick's assessment as part of the total appropriation to the Brunswick School Department being an amount not to exceed \$676,701 for operating expenditures and \$0 for debt service expenditures. The motion carried with eight (8) yeas.**

**ARTICLE 2. Merrymeeting Adult Education Budget.**

**Councilor Knight moved, Councilor Favreau seconded, to approve the Merrymeeting Adult Education budget in an amount not to exceed \$715,880 with Brunswick's assessment as part of the total appropriation to the Brunswick School Department not to exceed \$100,486. The motion carried with eight (8) yeas.**

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

Councilor Tucker moved, Councilor Brayman seconded, as part of the total appropriation to the Brunswick School Department, to appropriate the sum of \$26,919,489 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 \$26,919,489 to raise the sum of \$16,468,135 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 \$26,919,489 to accept state subsidy anticipated in the amount of \$10,451,354. The motion carried with eight (8) yeas.

Councilor Watson asked a question, to which School Board member Rich Ellis responded.

**ARTICLE 4. Non-State-Funded Debt Service.**

Councilor Tucker moved, Councilor Pols seconded, as part of the total appropriation to the Brunswick School Department, to appropriate the sum of \$407,846 and to raise the sum of \$407,846 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 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 eight (8) yeas.

**ARTICLE 5. Additional Local Funds.**

Councilor Pols moved, Councilor Knight seconded, as part of the total appropriation to the Brunswick School Department, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,095,887 in additional local funds, which exceeds the State’s Essential Programs and Services allocation model by \$1,499,160.

The School Board recommends \$2,095,887 in additional local funds which amount exceeds the State’s Essential Programs and Services allocation model by \$1,499,160 for the following reasons: The State’s EPS allocation in Transportation, Facilities Maintenance, Special Education, Extra-Curricular and Co-Curricular programs are inadequate to fully fund the 2012-13 program approved by the school board in the proposed budget. The motion carried with eight (8) yeas.

**ARTICLE 6. Other Funds.**

Councilor Tucker 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 \$395,321

<u>Federal School Subsidy</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>
<u>Tuition and other charges</u>	<u>220,821</u>

Miscellaneous	174,500
	<u>\$ 395,321</u>

**ARTICLE 7. Unexpended Balances.**

Councilor Tucker moved, Councilor Brayman seconded, as part of the total appropriation to the Brunswick School Department: To appropriate \$3,486,000 from the existing, or estimated, unexpended balances of the Brunswick School Department. The motion carried with eight (8) yeas.

**ARTICLE 8. Kindergarten to Grade 12 total Budget.**

Councilor Tucker moved, Councilor Brayman seconded, to authorize the Brunswick School Department to expend \$33,304,543 for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2012 and ending June 30, 2013 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 eight (8) yeas.

**ARTICLE 9. Adult Education.**

Councilor Tucker moved, Councilor Favreau 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 eight (8) yeas.

**ARTICLE 10. Food Service.**

Councilor Brayman moved, Councilor Knight 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 eight (8) yeas.

**ARTICLE 11. Cost Center Allocation.**

Councilor Tucker moved, Councilor Pols seconded, pursuant to 20-A M.R.S.A., to authorize allocation of the school budget, \$33,491,029, to the various cost centers as recommended by the Brunswick School Board May 23, 2012 as follows:

<u>Cost Center Summary</u> <u>Budget Category</u>	<u>Amount Recommended by</u> <u>School Board</u>	<u>Amount Approved by</u> <u>Town Council</u>
Regular Instruction	\$ 14,312,001	\$ 14,312,001
Special Education	\$ 3,966,648	\$ 3,966,648

<b>Career and Technical Education</b>	<b>\$ 676,701</b>	<b>\$ 676,701</b>
<b>Other Instruction</b>	<b>\$ 662,723</b>	<b>\$ 662,723</b>
<b>Student and staff support</b>	<b>\$ 3,136,644</b>	<b>\$ 3,136,644</b>
<b>System Administration</b>	<b>\$ 826,081</b>	<b>\$ 826,081</b>
<b>School Administration</b>	<b>\$ 1,317,566</b>	<b>\$ 1,317,566</b>
<b>Transportation and Buses</b>	<b>\$ 1,575,410</b>	<b>\$ 1,575,410</b>
<b>Facilities Maintenance</b>	<b>\$ 3,981,658</b>	<b>\$ 3,981,658</b>
<b>Debt Service and Other Commitments</b>	<b>\$ 2,849,111</b>	<b>\$ 2,849,111</b>
<b>All Other Expenditures</b>	<b>\$ 86,000</b>	<b>\$ 86,000</b>
<b>Total to June 12 Public Referendum</b>	<b>\$ 33,390,543</b>	<b>\$ 33,390,543</b>
<b>ARRA Jobs Bill</b>	<b>\$ 0</b>	<b>\$ 0</b>
<b>Adult Education</b>	<b>\$ 100,486</b>	<b>\$ 100,486</b>

**Summary of Total Expenditures voted**

**By School Board May 23**                      **\$ 33,491,029**                      **\$ 33,491,029**

**The motion carried with eight (8) yeas.**

**ARTICLE 12. Grants, Donations, and other revenues.**

**Councilor Tucker moved, Councilor Favreau 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 eight (8) yeas.**

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

- 61. The Town Council will consider a warrant for the School Budget Validation Referendum to be held on June 12, 2012, and will take any appropriate action. (Manager)**

**Councilor Watson moved, Councilor Favreau seconded, to approve the Election Warrant for the School Budget Validation Referendum to be held on June 12, 2012. The motion carried with eight (8) yeas.**

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

- 62. The Town Council will consider adopting the 2012-2013 Budget Resolution for the Town, and will take any appropriate action. (Manager)**

Councilor Pols spoke regarding this item and reminded others of Councilor Perreault's previous request for a lower amount.

**Councilor Watson moved, Councilor Tucker seconded, to adopt the Budget Resolution for the July 1, 2012 – June 30, 2013 Fiscal Year. The motion carried with eight (8) yeas.**

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

- 63. The Town Council will consider adopting the Supplemental Budget Resolution Appropriating \$348,000 from Reserves or Fund Balances to Fund Capital Acquisitions and Projects, and will take any appropriate action. (Manager)**

**Councilor Watson moved, Councilor Tucker seconded, to adopt the Supplemental Budget Resolution Appropriating \$348,000 from Reserves or Fund Balances to Fund Capital Acquisitions and Projects. The motion carried with eight (8) yeas.**

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

- 64. The Town Council will consider adopting the Supplemental Budget Resolution Appropriating \$362,250 from the Unassigned Balances of the General Fund to Fund Capital Acquisitions and Projects, and will take any appropriate action. (Manager)**

**Councilor Favreau moved, Councilor Knight seconded, to adopt the Supplemental Budget Resolution Appropriating \$362,250 from the Unassigned Balances of the General Fund to Fund Capital Acquisitions and Projects. The motion carried with eight (8) yeas.**

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

- 65. The Town Council will consider any other matters related to the adoption of the 2012-2013 Budget and will take any appropriate action. (Manager)**

There was no further action.

**Councilor Watson moved, Councilor Tucker seconded, to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried with eight (8) yeas.**

The meeting adjourned at 7:07 p.m.

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*Frances Smith  
Town Clerk/Assistant to the Town Manager  
June 25, 2012*

*July 9, 2012  
Date of Approval*

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*Council Chair*

