

A special meeting of the Town Council held on Tuesday, February 13, 2007 for the Town at Town Council Chambers and was called to order at 8:50 PM. Council President Budway presiding.

After pledging allegiance to the flag of our country, Town Clerk Long called the roll:

Councilman Collins-present	Councilman Salisbury - absent
Councilwoman Knowlton-present	Councilman D'Agostino - absent
Councilman Winfield - present	Council Vice-President Farrar - present
Council President Budway – present	

Motion made by Councilman Collins, seconded by Councilwoman Knowlton and voted by consent agreement to approve the recommendation of the budget committee for the 2007-2008 budget in the amount of \$30,200,443.00 and the capital improvement bond in the amount of \$628,900.00 and the tax anticipation notes in the amount of \$2,000,000.00.

Motion made by Councilman Collins, seconded by Council Vice-President Farrar and voted by consent agreement to authorize the Town Treasurer to release \$140,000 to the Potterville Fire Company for the purchase of two rescue vehicles; one to replace the rescue that was recently totaled and the other to replace the rescue at North Scituate Fire Station. This money is the insurance settlement that the Town received from the rescue that was totaled.

Councilman Collins wanted to thank everyone for such a smooth budget process.

Council Vice-President Farrar said that he thought the new members did a fantastic job with their first budget.

Councilwoman Knowlton said that the budget process was a valuable education.

Councilman Winfield said it was an interesting year and that next year will prove to be even more interesting with the next decrease in the state cap.

The entire Council wanted to thank Sandra Young, Deputy Town Treasurer, for all of her hard work during this budget.

Council President Budway wanted to commend the new members on a job well done and remarked that they really did their homework.

Ernie Marcure, Spruce Brook Road, asked if the Treasurer's Office would allow the S.A.F.E organization to have control of their own funds that they receive from the Federal Government. He said that he feels it would be much easier for everyone if they could write their own checks. He said that this would ensure that the vendors are paid in a timely manner. He also said that the Treasurer's Office has enough work to do and this would be one less thing that they are responsible for.

Town Treasurer Przybyla said that he will look into it, but isn't comfortable with it because the check comes to the Town, and the Town is ultimately responsible for those funds.

Motion made by Councilman Collins, seconded by Council Vice-President Farrar and voted by consent agreement to recess at 9:02PM.

Attest:

Margaret M. Long, Town Clerk