

**NORFOLK BOARD OF FINANCE
MINUTES OF MAY 10, 2016 MEETING**

Members present were M. Sconyers, G. Allyn, D. Torrey, N. Ritson, K. Harvill, L. Groppo and J. Tarrant

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by M. Sconyers.

Minutes of the April 12, 2016 meeting were approved on motion of N. Ritson, second by D. Torrey and unanimously approved.

Minutes of the May 3, 2016 special meeting were approved on motion of D. Torrey, second by K. Harvill and unanimously approved.

Sarah Brusco submitted a request for approval to adjust four real estate tax accounts and one motor vehicle tax account. On motion of G. Allyn, second by D. Torrey her requests were unanimously approved.

S. Dyer stated that the State has not approved a budget. Everything else is in order in Town.

Chelsea Byrne stated that everything is in order in the Treasurer's office.

There was no discussion regarding the 2015-2016 budget.

M. Sconyers stated that the Town is expecting a reduction of \$343,192 in the ECS grant, meaning the Town will receive approximately \$40,000.

M. Sconyers stated that he has met several times with S. Dyer to discuss the Selectmen's 2016-2017 proposed budget. There are several expenses that are lower than last year.

The Region 7 assessment will be \$97,000 less.

The Fire Truck has been paid off, resulting in a savings of \$76,000 per year.

Health Insurance for Town employees will be down by \$18,000 this year.

A discussion followed of possible adjustments to the proposed Selectmen's budget.

M. Sconyers suggested that the Board hold a Special Meeting on May 24th to set a budget.

There was nothing under 2/3 vote.

Under Public Comment, Matt Ludwig and Roland Denny spoke about the total cost of the new truck, and will provide the Board with a summary of funds spent. There was a misapprehension of what was to be purchased.

Phylis Bernard asked why every department was not subject to a 5% decrease?

On Motion of D. Torrey, second by L. Groppo, and unanimously approved, the meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Holly A. Holtman, Secretary
Norfolk Board of Finance

**NORFOLK BOARD OF FINANCE
MINUTES OF MAY 24, 2016 SPECIAL MEETING**

Members present were M. Sconyers, K. Sebach, G. Allyn, D. Torrey, N. Ritson, K. Harvill, L. Groppo and J. Torrant

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by M. Sconyers.

It was determined that the Suspension List presented by Sarah Bruso was addressed at a previous meeting.

Members discussed the 2016-2017 budget.

M. Sconyers proposed that \$43,000 for capital improvements be transferred from the Botelle Board of Education budget to the Board of Selectmen budget. He also proposed reducing the Botelle Board of Education budget by \$30,000. Sue Dyer and the Selectmen have worked very hard to make reductions in their budget. If this proposal is implemented, and the mill rate increased by 1.5% to 22.09, no transfer from the positive fund balance will be required. The sum of \$6,614,977 needs to be raised after all sources of income are applied.

After discussion, on motion of K. Harvill, second by N. Ritson, and unanimously approved, the budget will be taken up at a public budget hearing. The budget hearing will be held on Wednesday, June 8, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. at the Hall of Flags in Botelle School.

On Motion of K. Sebach, second by D. Torrey, and unanimously approved, the meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Holly A. Holtman

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Norfolk Board of Finance

**NORFOLK BOARD OF FINANCE
MINUTES OF JUNE 8, 2016 SPECIAL MEETING**

Members present were M. Sconyers, K. Sebach, G. Allyn, D. Torrey, N. Ritson, L. Groppo and G. Mudge

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by M. Sconyers. There were approximately 30 people in attendance in addition to the Board of Finance members.

M. Sconyers presented the Proposed 2016-2017 Budget to the audience with explanations of loss of ECS money and cuts in budgets.

There were a few questions from the audience.

On motion of M. Sconyers, seconded by K. Sebach, the Board of Finance budget was approved 6-0 and submitted to the Town Meeting. The total amount to be raised by taxes is \$6,611,677.00 after applying all projected income.

On Motion of K. Sebach, second by G. Allyn, and unanimously approved, the meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


J. Michael Sconyers, Chairman
Norfolk Board of Finance

**NORFOLK BOARD OF FINANCE
MINUTES OF JUNE 15, 2016 SPECIAL MEETING**

Members present were M. Sconyers, G. Allyn, N. Ritson, L. Groppo and K. Harvill

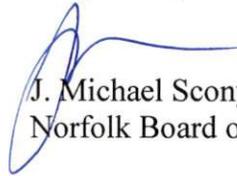
The meeting was called to order at 7:13 p.m. by M. Sconyers

1. On Motion of K. Harvill, second by G. Allyn, the mill rate for 2016-2017 was set at 22.09 by a vote of 5-0.

2. On motion of M. Sconyers, second by N. Ritson, the Board of Finance authorized the Board of Selectmen and the Treasurer to refinance the USDA loan, if possible, and to seek funding of not more than \$650,000 to purchase a pumper truck for the Norfolk Volunteer Fire Department and two (2) "plow" trucks for use by Public Works.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:18 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



J. Michael Sconyers, Chairman
Norfolk Board of Finance