

**North Berwick Budget Committee Minutes**  
**March 11, 2013**  
**6:30 p.m.**

Present: Maurice Dolbec, Matthew Pomerleau, David Bentley, Lynn Manley, Steven Dumont, Christopher Rosen, Julie Fernee, Barry Abbott, Wendy Cowan, Michael Johnson, Sr. and Kerry Briggs.

Also Present: Kelley Dumont, Keith Fletcher, Pat Robinson, Gregg Drew and Dwayne Morin

Chairman Abbott opened the meeting at 6:30 p.m.

**Review of Committee Recommendations:**

Dwayne presented the committee with meeting minutes for the previous meeting. Kerry moved to accept the minutes as amended, Dave seconded, Vote 11-0 in favor.

**Public Input:**

There was no Public Input.

**Impact Fee Articles**

Chairman Abbott read **Article 6** regarding ***Impact Fees - Pratt and Whitney Land Swap for Canoe Launch*** of \$10,000.00 along with the Board of Selectmen/Town Manager Recommendation. It was moved by Dave and seconded by Wendy ought to pass \$10,000.00 from Recreation Impact Fees. Vote 11-0 in favor.

Chairman Abbott read **Article 4** regarding ***Impact Fee Budget – Great Works Regional Land Trust*** of \$16,000.00 along with the Board of Selectmen/Town Manager Recommendation. It was moved by Dave and seconded by Wendy ought to pass \$10,000.00 from Impact Fees. Great Works Regional Land Trust representatives Keith Fletcher and Pat Robinson discussed the merits of obtaining the parcel of land adjacent to the North Berwick Elementary School trail system. Vote 11-0 in favor.

### **Bruce Abbott Park Article:**

Chairman Abbott read Article 45 regarding amendments to the *Bruce Abbott Memorial Park* to allow for winter time access for residents and pass holders to access Bauneg Beg Lake from January 1 to March 15 of each year. It was moved by Dave and seconded by Wendy ought to pass. Dwayne explained that this article will need a 2/3 majority of Town Meeting voters to allow it to become effective. Vote 11-0 in favor.

### **Finalize Budget Committee Recommendations**

The Budget Committee reviewed the recommendations made by the Committee. The Budget Committee is recommending a budget of \$3,779,909.00 which represents a 3.42% decrease from last year. The operations side of the budget is proposed to be a 0.61% decrease and the Capital Improvement budget is a 22.50% reduction. The Budget Committee is also recommending the expenditure of \$35,000.00 from the recreational Impact Fee Fund and \$10,000.00 from the Open Space Impact Fee Fund.

Chairman Abbott thanked the Board for their efforts in reviewing the Municipal Budget.. He reminded everyone of Town Meeting date on Saturday April 6, 2013.

### **Adjournment**

It was moved by Dave and seconded by Wendy to adjourn at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dwayne G. Morin  
Town Manager