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APPROVED
MINUTES OF THE SELECTMEN'S
BUDGET & BOND PUBLIC HEARING
19 January 2009

PRESENT: Gary Daniels, Chairman
Tim Finan, Vice Chairman
James Dannis, Member
Mike Putnam, Member
Kathy Bauer, Member
Guy Scaife, Town Administrator
Darlene J. Bouffard, Recording Secretary
Department Heads & Senior Staff
Members of the Public

BUDGET COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

Frank Corey
Gil Archambault
Trudy Morgan
Bill Fitzpatrick
Deanna Carter
Chuck Morrison
Peggy Seward
Micheleen Bagley
Paul Burkhardt

WATER COMMISSIONERS:

Walter Murray
Robert Courage
Merv Newton (absent)

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Daniels opened the meeting at 6:35 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Chairman Daniels noted that the Board of Selectman will reconvene after the Budget Hearing. Chairman Daniels introduced members of the Board of Selectmen.

Chairman Daniels introduced Frank Corey of the Budget Committee who then introduced the Budget Committee members present. Chairman Daniels introduced Walter Murray, Chairman of the Water Commissioners, who then introduced the other Water Commissioners.

Chairman Daniels indicated that tonight's hearing is for Bond and Budget but will go through the entire warrant in order for the public to voice their opinions on all items. The Budget & Bond Hearing was opened at 6:40.

BOND HEARING

CURTIS WELL FACILITY IMPROVEMENTS - \$295,925 (Estimate) – Chairman Daniels read the Article as follows:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Ninety-five Thousand, Nine Hundred and Twenty-five (\$295,925) Dollars, Gross Budget, to make general improvements to the Curtis Well Pump Station, which includes but is not limited to: a 10' x 15' building addition, upgrades to the HVAC system, upgraded electrical power distribution panel, (2) new pump drives and a 150KW standby generator, and to authorize the Selectmen to raise this appropriation by borrowing not more than Two Hundred Ninety-five Thousand, Nine Hundred and Twenty-five (\$295,925) Dollars in accordance with the Municipal Finance Act, RSA 33, and to negotiate bonds, bond anticipation notes, or notes therefore, and to determine the rate of interest thereon, to be repaid from the water users provided that such bonds or notes shall be the general obligation of the Town and to authorize the Se-

lectmen to contract for and expend any Federal or State aid that may be available for this project, or take any other action relative thereto. This is a Special Warrant Article in accordance with RSA 32.

Note: As this is for issuance of long-term debt, this vote requires, under State law, sixty (60%) percent affirmative vote to pass. This appropriation will be offset by revenues from water user fees.

Chairman Daniels asked if there were any public questions or comments and saw none.

BUDGET HEARING

OPERATING BUDGET WARRANT ARTICLE - \$11,553,279 – Chairman Daniels read the Article as follows:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, as an operating budget not including appropriations by Special Warrant Articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget in an amount totaling Eleven Million, Five Hundred Fifty-three Thousand, Two Hundred and Seventy-nine (\$11,553,279) Dollars. Should this Article be defeated, the operating budget shall be Eleven Million, Five Hundred Three Thousand, Seven Hundred and Thirty-four (\$11,503,734) Dollars which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous actions of the Town, or by law, or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13 X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only. This Article has an **estimated tax impact of \$4.07.**

Note: The proposed Operating Budget reflects an increase of 0.4% over the 2008 Operating Budget, or an increase of \$44,682.

2009 Non-CIP Capital Outlay for Vehicles Included in Operating Budget

- Police Department – replacement of 2 Police Cruisers (\$53,110)

Chairman Daniels recognized Town Administrator Guy Scaife who put the budget in perspective and recognized the staff and Board of Selectman in fine tuning the budget which started many months ago and has seen many versions. This budget comes in as a 0.4% tax increase over last year. The last two years averaged less than 2% increases, however services continued to grow. Guy Scaife said these are difficult economic times but the town departments continue to provide services to the town. Emergency Services calls have increased, in 2008 Police had an increase in calls from 911 or direct call service of 11%, the Ambulance Service had an increase in calls of 9.4% and the Fire Department had an increase in calls of 7%. Milford has had an average of 9% increase for those three services. The highway department accepted ten different roads, both paved and dirt. There was record breaking snowfall in 2008 of six feet, with 2009 starting off with a lot of snow as well. The last three years have been the wettest on record for New Hampshire. This has caused an increase in demand for DPW and Building Inspection. The Recreation Department has increased their programs and in these economic times when people do not have money for trips, you will see an increase in town recreation activities. Some departments had savings and some departments have seen increases. There are no major programs planned for 2009. The past two years saw new things that improved the efficiencies and communications and allowed the town to not have an increase in the data communications or programs from that standpoint. There are 14 police cruisers in the fleet, if the town does not replace a couple of cruisers annually, the town will get to the point that it has to replace 4-5 in one year. The replacement plan will continue in this budget. This budget includes many line items across many departments and there is only one exception that the Board of Selectman and Town Administrator do not agree on that he would appreciate support for, noting that the town has been able to hold this budget down even though there has been increased activities.

Chairman Daniels asked if there were questions or comments and saw none.

Chairman Daniels noted that the two police cruisers are in the budget, not a separate Warrant Article.

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2 **WASTEWATER TREATMENT OPERATING BUDGET - \$1,695,312 WARRANT ARTICLE** – Chairman
3 Daniels read the Article as follows:

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5 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Million, Six Hundred Ninety-five
6 Thousand, Three Hundred and Twelve (\$1,695,312) Dollars to operate and maintain the Wastewater
7 Treatment Facility and the Sanitary Sewer Collection System, said appropriation to be offset by income
8 received from wastewater users charges of an equal amount, or take any other action relative thereto.
9 This is a Special Warrant Article in accordance with RSA 32 and is paid for by the wastewater user
10 fees.

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12 **Note:** The proposed Wastewater Treatment Operating Budget reflects an increase of 0.3% over
13 the 2008 Operating Budget, or an increase of \$4,401. Said increase is largely due to increased
14 chemical and utility costs.

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16 Chairman Daniels opened the floor for questions or comments and saw none.

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18 **WATER DEPARTMENT OPERATING BUDGET - \$ 1,335,597 WARRANT ARTICLE** – Chairman Daniels
19 read the Article as follows:

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21 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Million, Three Hundred Thirty-five
22 Thousand, Five Hundred and Ninety-seven (\$1,335,597) Dollars to operate and maintain the Water
23 Department, said appropriation to be offset by income received from the water users charges of an
24 equal amount, or take any other action relative thereto. This is a Special Warrant Article in accordance
25 with RSA 32 and is paid for by the water user fees.

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27 **Note:** The proposed Water Department Operating Budget reflects an increase of 0.5% over the
28 2008 Operating Budget, or an increase of \$6,804. Said increase is largely due to increased
29 chemical and utility costs.

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31 Chairman Daniels opened the floor for questions or comments and saw none.

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33 **ROUTE 101A/ROUTE 13/OVAL IMPROVEMENTS GRANT - \$155,000 WARRANT ARTICLE** – Chair-
34 man Daniels read the Article as follows:

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36 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Seven Hundred Seventy-five Thou-
37 sand (\$775,000) Dollars (\$155,000 to be raised by general taxation and \$620,000 from Federal Grant)
38 for engineering of, potential right-of-way acquisition for, and construction of improvements to Route
39 101A, Route 13, and The Oval, including but not limited to vehicular and pedestrian safety enhance-
40 ments in the downtown area of Milford generally described as that area bordered by the Nashua
41 Street/Tonella Road intersection, the South Street/Prospect Street/Lincoln Street intersections, the Elm
42 Street / Cottage Street intersection and the Mont Vernon Street/Amherst Street/Grove Street intersec-
43 tions. Said safety enhancements shall be based on completed and ongoing traffic studies within the
44 Town, and shall include, but may not be limited to, sidewalks, crosswalks, utility relocation and under-
45 grounding, paving, parking, and access management. The amount of One Hundred Fifty Five Thou-
46 sand (\$155,000) Dollars is 25% of the Town's required remaining match of \$620,000 to obtain the full
47 Federal transportation earmarked funding of Two Million Eight Hundred Thousand (\$2,800,000) Dol-
48 lars. This is a Special Article in accordance with RSA 32. This Article has an **estimated tax impact of**
49 **\$0.10 cents**

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51 **Note:** In 2006 the Town was awarded \$3,500,000 Federal Highway Administration Section 1702 –
52 Designated Project to be administered through the New Hampshire Department of Transportation. Of
53 the \$3,500,000 the Town is required to provide a 20% match, or \$700,000. In 2006 the Town appropri-
54 ated \$80,000 of the required match and in 2008 the Town appropriated an additional \$155,000 to-
55 wards the required match resulting in \$235,000 total match appropriations to date. This article seeks
56 to raise an additional \$155,000 towards the total match, resulting in a total of \$390,000 of the total re-
57 quired match. After this appropriation, the remaining Town match requirements will be \$310,000.

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59 Chairman Daniels opened the floor for questions or comments and saw none.

1 **TEAMSTERS UNION COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT - \$14,016** – Chairman Daniels read the
 2 Article as follows:

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 4 To see if the Town will vote to approve the cost items included in the Teamsters Collective Bargaining
 5 Agreement (CBA) reached between the Board of Selectmen and the International Brotherhood of
 6 Teamsters, Local 633 for contract years 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012 and 2013 (1 April – 31 March) which
 7 calls for the following increases in salaries, benefits, new cost items and other costs attributable to this
 8 Agreement, and to further raise and appropriate the sum of Fourteen Thousand and Sixteen (\$14,016)
 9 Dollars for fiscal year 2009. Said sum represents the additional costs over those of the current appro-
 10 priation at current staffing levels paid in the expiring Agreement. Upon approval of this Article, said
 11 cost allocation is to be transferred to the General Operating Budgets of the appropriate departments,
 12 or take any other action relative thereto. \$10,357 is to be raised by general taxation and \$3,659 is to
 13 be raised by Water & Sewer User Fees. This Article has an **estimated tax impact of \$0.007 cents.**

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 15 **COST ITEMS FROM GENERAL OPERATING BUDGET**

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	2009	2010 <u>Estimated</u>	2011 <u>Estimated</u>	2012 <u>Estimated</u>	2013 <u>Estimated</u>
Wages, Overtime & Fringe Benefits:	\$10,357	\$20,147	\$21,499	\$20,812	\$22,209

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18 **COST ITEMS FROM WATER & SEWER USER FUNDS**

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	2009	2010 <u>Estimated</u>	2011 <u>Estimated</u>	2012 <u>Estimated</u>	2013 <u>Estimated</u>
Wages, Overtime & Fringe Benefits:	\$ 3,659	\$ 6,907	\$ 7,135	\$ 7,370	\$ 7,613

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21 **NOTE:**

22 The contract calls for the following cost items:
 23 04/01/2009 – 1.5% across the board wage increase and Teamsters members obtaining health insur-
 24 ance through NNEBT.

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 26 04/01/2010 – 0-3.5% wage increase yearly based on performance through the contract expiration date
 27 of March 31, 2014

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 29 Chairman Daniels opened the floor for questions or comments and saw none.

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 32 **SOCIAL SERVICES - \$25,000 WARRANT ARTICLE** – Chairman Daniels read the Article as follows:

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 34 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-five Thousand (\$25,000) Dol-
 35 lars for the purpose of providing funding for Milford residents to Social Service agencies or take any
 36 other action relative thereto. This is a Special Article in accordance with RSA 32. This Article has an
 37 **estimated tax impact of \$0.016 cents.**

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 39 Chairman Daniels opened the floor for questions or comments and saw none.

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 42 **WASTEWATER TREATMENT FACILITY WHEEL LOADER REPLACEMENT - \$20,100** – Chairman
 43 Daniels read the Article as follows:

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 45 To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Water & Sewer Commissioners to enter into a 5-
 46 year lease/purchase agreement, subject to a fiscal funding clause which will protect the Town in the

1 event of non-appropriation, for the purpose of lease-purchasing a 2009 Wheel Loader for the Waste-
2 water Treatment Facility, which will replace a 1999 Hyundai Wheel Loader, and to raise and appropri-
3 ate the sum of Twenty Thousand, One Hundred (\$20,100) Dollars for the first year's payment for this
4 purpose; further to authorize the disposition of the 1999 Hyundai Wheel Loader by sale or other means
5 as the Commissioners may determine, or take any other action relative thereto. Said appropriations to
6 be offset by income received from wastewater user charges. The total purchase price of this vehicle is
7 Ninety-two Thousand, Four Hundred and Ninety (\$92,490) Dollars. If this article passes, future years'
8 payments will be included in the wastewater operating budget. This is a Special Warrant Article in ac-
9 cordance with RSA 32.

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11 **Note:** This appropriation will be offset by revenues from wastewater user fees.

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14 Chairman Daniels opened the floor for questions or comments. Selectman Putnam asked if the Water & Sewer
15 Commissioners have broken down the principal & interest on this item. Larry Anderson, WWTF Director, does not
16 have that breakdown; they have a quote with an interest rate of 3.77%. There were no further questions.
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19 **PUMPKIN FESTIVAL, HOLIDAY DECORATIONS AND PLANTINGS - \$20,000 WARRANT ARTICLE**
20 – Chairman Daniels read the Article as follows:

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22 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Thousand (\$20,000) Dollars
23 for purposes of Pumpkin Festival support by Public Works, Police, Fire, and Ambulance Departments;
24 purchase and planting of flowers for the Oval and Stone Bridge areas; purchase of lights, garland, etc.
25 for holiday decorations; or take any other action relative thereto. This is a Special Article in accor-
26 dance with RSA 32. This Article has an **estimated tax impact of one \$0.01 cents.**
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28 Chairman Daniels opened the floor for questions or comments and saw none.
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31 **REINSTATING LIBRARY HOURS - \$12,500** – Chairman Daniels read the Article as follows:

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33 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twelve Thousand, Five Hundred
34 (\$12,500) Dollars for the purpose of reinstating four (4) hours per week of regular public library service
35 for a period of 39 weeks. This represents the remaining half of the service hours lost in the default
36 budget cuts of 2002. There would be an annual estimated cost of Sixteen Thousand, Five Hundred
37 (\$16,500) Dollars added to the library appropriate to continue this level of service in future years, or
38 take any other action relative thereto. By request of the Library Trustees. This is a Special Article in
39 accordance with RSA 32. This Article has an **estimated tax impact of \$0.008 cents.**
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41 Chairman Daniels opened the floor for questions or comments and saw none.
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44 **DO-IT OPERATING BUDGET SUPPORT - \$10,000 WARRANT ARTICLE** – Chairman Daniels read the
45 Article as follows:

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47 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand (\$10,000) Dollars for
48 the purpose of continued partial funding for community and economic development programs in and
49 around downtown administered by the Milford Downtown Ongoing Improvement Team (DO-IT), or take
50 any other action relative thereto. By request of DO-IT. This is a Special Warrant Article in accordance
51 with RSA 32. This Article has an **estimated tax impact of \$0.006 cents.**
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53 Chairman Daniels opened the floor for questions or comments and saw none.
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56 **FIRE WORKS - \$ 10,000 WARRANT ARTICLE** – Chairman Daniels read the Article as follows:

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58 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand (\$10,000) Dollars for
59 the purpose of providing a 4th of July type celebration including a fireworks display and activities at a

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1 time and location to be determined by the Board of Selectmen, or take any other action relative
2 thereto. This is a Special Article in accordance with RSA 32. This Article has an **estimated tax im-**
3 **act of \$0.006 cents.**
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5 Chairman Daniels opened the floor for questions or comments and saw none.
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8 **SUMMER BAND CONCERTS - \$9,000 WARRANT ARTICLE** – Chairman Daniels read the Article as fol-
9 lows:
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11 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Nine Thousand (\$9,000) Dollars
12 for the purpose of holding the traditional summer evening Band Concerts (\$6,000 bands, \$2,000
13 sound system, \$1,000 crossing detail), or take any other action relative thereto. This is a Special
14 Article in accordance with RSA 32. This Article has an **estimated tax impact of \$0.006 cents.**
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16 Chairman Daniels opened the floor for questions or comments and saw none.
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19 **MEMORIAL, VETERANS & LABOR DAY PARADE TOWN SUPPORT - \$6,000 WARRANT ARTICLE** –
20 Chairman Daniels read the Article as follows:
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22 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Six Thousand (\$6,000) Dollars for
23 Town support to the Memorial, Veterans and Labor Day Parades by Public Works, Police De-
24 partment and other Town departments. Departmental support costs and materials associated
25 with the provision of these services will be charged against this appropriation. This is a Special
26 Article in accordance with RSA 32. This Article has an **estimated tax impact of \$0.004 cents.**
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28 Chairman Daniels opened the floor for questions or comments and saw none.
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31 **DISCONTINUATION OF A PORTION OF HARTSHORN MILL ROAD - \$0** – Chairman Daniels read the
32 Article as follows:
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34 To see if the Town will vote to discontinue completely, pursuant to RSA 231:43, the section of Harts-
35 horn Mill Rd, from the intersection with NH Rt. 13 southwesterly for a distance of 196 feet, as shown a
36 plan entitled, “Lot Line Adjustment and Road Relocation Plan, Lot 2-29, Town of Milford Conservation
37 Commission, and Lot 5-19, Thomas A. Wilkins, Sally E. D. Wilkins, Milford, New Hampshire, Novem-
38 ber 17, 2008”? This Article has an **estimated tax impact of NO cents.**
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40 **Note:** This article is the discontinuance of a section of Hartshorn Mill Road as a part of the Harts-
41 horn Pond area enhancement project.
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43 Chairman Daniels opened the floor for questions or comments and saw none.
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46 **AUTHORIZATION TO EXPEND FUNDS FOR CONTRIBUTIONS TO PURCHASE LANDS WITHOUT**
47 **TAKING PROPERTY INTERESTS - \$0** – Chairman Daniels read the Article as follows:
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49 To see if the Town will vote to adopt the provisions of RSA 36-A:4-a, l(b) to authorize the conservation
50 commission to expend funds for contributions to ‘qualified organizations’ for the purchase of property
51 interests, or facilitating transactions related thereto, where the property interest is to be held by the
52 qualified organization and the town will retain no interest in the property; if adopted these transactions
53 shall be subject to the approval of the governing body? This Article has an **estimated tax impact of**
54 **NO cents.**
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56 [PLEASE NOTE: This article language is being reviewed by Town Counsel. The language may not be
57 precisely what is presented at the Deliberative Session, but the intention will be the same.]

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Chairman Daniels opened the floor for questions or comments and saw none.

AUTHORIZATION TO EXPEND FUNDS TO PURCHASE INTEREST IN LANDS OUTSIDE TOWN BOUNDARIES - \$0 – Chairman Daniels read the Article as follows:

To see if the Town will vote to adopt the provisions of RSA 36-A:4-a, l(a) to authorize the conservation commission to expend funds to purchase interests in land outside the boundaries of our municipality, subject to the approval of the local governing body? This Article has an **estimated tax impact of NO cents.**

Chairman Daniels opened the floor for questions or comments and saw none.

ADJUSTMENT TO INCOME AND ASSET LEVELS FOR ELDERLY EXEMPTIONS – Chairman Daniels read the Article as follows:

To see if the Town will vote to, pursuant to RSA 72:39-(a) and (b), modify the elderly exemptions from property tax in the Town of Milford, based on assessed value for qualified taxpayers, to be as follows: for a person 65 years of age up to 75 years - \$80,000; for a person 75 years of age up to 80 years - \$120,000; and for a person 80 years of age or older - \$160,000? To qualify, the person must satisfy all of the conditions of RSA 72:39-(a) and (b) that pertain to eligibility for this exemption as well as those contained in any other applicable statute, including without limitation, that they demonstrate that they have been a New Hampshire resident for at least 3 consecutive years, that they own the real estate individually or jointly or, if the real estate is owned by such person's spouse, that they must have been married to each other for at least 5 years, and that they reside on the property. In addition, the taxpayer must have a net income in each applicable age group of not more than \$30,000 or, if married, a combined net income of not more than \$45,000; and own net assets of not more than \$85,000, excluding the value of the person's residence.

Chairman Daniels opened the floor for questions or comments and saw none.

AUTHORIZE SPECIAL MEETING IF CBA WARRANT ARTICLE IS DEFEATED - \$0 – Chairman Daniels read the Article as follows:

To see if the Town will vote to, if Articles # (Teamsters Agreement) is defeated, authorize the governing body to call one special meeting, at its option, to address articles # (Teamsters Agreement) cost items only? This Article has an **estimated tax impact of NO cents.**

Note: This is a proposed warrant article to give the Town authorization for a special meeting if the CBA is defeated. Otherwise, if defeated, we would approval of the local governing body? This Article has an **estimated tax impact of NO cents.**

Chairman Daniels opened the floor for questions or comments and saw none.

AUTHORIZATION TO SELECTMAN TO ESTABLISH AND AMEND TOWN ORDINANCES - \$0 – Chairman Daniels read the Article as follows:

To see if the Town will vote to, in accordance with RSA 41:14-b, will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen establish, and amend town ordinances and codes? The provisions of RSA 41:14-b do not apply to establishment and amendment of a zoning ordinance, historic district ordinance, or building code under the provisions of RSA 675. This Article has an **estimated tax impact of NO cents.**

Note: By RSA 675 this article would authorize the BOS to establish and amend town ordinances and codes. (Jack and Dawn researched this and while we do believe this was adopted in the past it is beyond the reasonable reach of research in the hard copy archives. LGC recommends

1 adopting it if you are not certain you have, and Bill Drescher indicated there was no harm in
2 adopting it again).

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4 Chairman Daniels opened the floor for questions or comments and saw none.
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7 **AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO INTERMUNICIPAL AGREEMENT WITH THE TOWN OF**
8 **WILTON - \$0** – Chairman Daniels read the Article as follows:
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10 To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Water Commissioners to enter into, pursuant to RSA
11 38:17 and RSA 53-A, an intermunicipal agreement with the Town of Wilton pertaining to the supply and
12 provision of water and related services, on such terms and conditions as the Commissioners deem in
13 the best interest of the Town, or take action related thereto. This Article has an **estimated tax impact**
14 **of NO cents.**
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16 **Note:** The Town taking action on this article has been discussed by DES and has been recom-
17 mended by NRPC. It would benefit both towns during emergencies and give water service to the west
18 end of Milford along 101 that have historically had well issues.
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20 Chairman Daniels opened the floor for questions or comments and saw none.
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23 **GRANT OF ACCESS EASEMENT TO ST. JOSEPH HOSPITAL - \$0** – Chairman Daniels read the Article as
24 follows:
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26 To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to convey, on terms and conditions
27 deemed by the Board to be in the best interests of the Town, a perpetual easement to St. Joseph Hos-
28 pital of Nashua, or its designee, over a small portion of town owned property known as Lot 32 as
29 shown on Map 31 of the Town of Milford Tax Maps, for the purpose of allowing access to structures
30 owned by said St. Joseph Hospital over said town property currently being operated as the Milford
31 Medical Center, and to authorize the Selectmen, in connection herewith, to execute any and all docu-
32 ments necessary to implement this conveyance. This Article has an **estimated tax impact of NO**
33 **cents.**
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35 **Note:** : As part of the access agreements between the Town and St. Joseph's Hospital at Kaley Park,
36 an easement needs to be granted by the Town to St. Joseph Hospital at the driveway entrance of the
37 medical office building constructed by St. Joe's in 2005, as can be seen on the attached portion .of the
38 medical center site plan approved by the Planning Board in 2004.
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40 The need for this easement was identified by the attorney for St. Joe's, Brad Westgate, as we were fi-
41 nalizing the access easement to the Town from St. Joe's (since recorded) earlier this year. In checking
42 with the Town's attorney, Bill Drescher, the granting of the access easement from the Town to St. Joe's
43 does need a town warrant vote.
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45 Chairman Daniels opened the floor for questions or comments and saw none.
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48 **SOUTH STREET RAILROAD CROSSING - \$40,000** – Chairman Daniels read the Article as follows:
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50 To see if the Town will vote to rescind the appropriation of \$200,000 (with \$40,000 having been raised
51 by taxation) made by the passage of Article 13 at the 2005 annual town meeting which will lapse on
52 December 31, 2009, and, in place of said appropriation, to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hun-
53 dred Thousand Dollars, (\$200,000), for the purpose of replacing the South Street railroad crossing, in-
54 cluding drainage, road, sidewalk, and curbing improvements to South Street, and furthermore, to ac-
55 cept Federal and/or State funding of One Hundred Sixty Thousand Dollars (\$160,000), with the bal-
56 ance of Forty Thousand Dollars, (\$40,000) raised from fund balance, or take any other action relative
57 thereto. This is a Special Warrant Article in accordance with RSA 32. This will be a non-lapsing appro-
58 priation in accordance with RSA 32:7, VI, it being understood thereby that such appropriation shall not

1 lapse at the end of the fiscal year 2009, but shall lapse when said improvements are completed or
2 12/31/2011, whichever is sooner.

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4 **Note:** There is **no net tax impact to this article.**

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6 Chairman Daniels opened the floor for questions or comments and saw none.

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9 **CABLE ACCESS REVOLVING FUND** – Chairman Daniels read the Article as follows:

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11 To see if the Town will vote to establish a revolving fund for providing cable access for public, educa-
12 tional, or governmental television use as allowed pursuant to RSA 31:95-h. The money received from
13 franchise fees, already assessed and collected from cable users, will be deposited into the fund, will be
14 allowed to accumulate from year to year, and will not be part of the Town's general surplus.

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16 Chairman Daniels opened the floor for questions or comments and saw none.

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19 **PETITION WARRANT ARTICLES**

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21 Chairman Daniels indicated the petition warrant articles will be read, but were not submitted by the Board of Se-
22 lectman or Budget Advisory Committee.

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24 **NON-EMERGENCY MEDICAL TRANSPORTATION BUS SERVICE BUDGETARY FUNDING**
25 **REQUEST - \$20,000** – Chairman Daniels read the Article as follows:

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27 To see if the Town will vote to participate in the Souhegan Valley Transportation Collaborative and in-
28 clude \$20,000 in the town budget to help support rides for Town residents to social service agencies,
29 pharmacies, and health care appointments, including doctor visits, dialysis, physical therapy and hos-
30 pital and counseling services, or any other trips mandated by law. The Souhegan Valley Transporta-
31 tion Collaborative will contract with Nashua Transit System to offer rides within and between Milford,
32 Hollis, Amherst and Brookline and to and from Nashua. This Article has an **estimated tax impact of**
33 **\$0.006 cents.**

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35 Chairman Daniels opened the floor for questions or comments and saw none.

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38 **RAILROAD POND FISHING AGE LIMITS – MCBRIARTY MEMORIAL FISHING DERBY** – Chairman
39 Daniels read the Article as follows:

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41 The purpose of this petition is to limit the age of fisherman on Railroad Pond specifically to prevent
42 adults from over fishing before and after the McBriarty Memorial Fishing Derby. By limiting the age (not
43 including seniors or handicapped individuals), we the undersigned, feel this will benefit the Derby
44 which would allow the children to better enjoy the sport. This Article has an **estimated tax impact of**
45 **NO cents.**

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47 Chairman Daniels opened the floor for questions or comments and saw none.

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50 **TAXATION ON FARM STRUCTURES AND LAND UNDER FARM STRUCTURES** – Chairman Daniels
51 read the Article as follows:

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53 Are you in favor of adopting the provision of the State of New Hampshire RSA's Chapter 79-F "Taxa-
54 tion of farm structures and land under farm structures". The full text of this provision is on file with the
55 Town Clerk, Town Hall, 1 Union Square, Milford, NH.

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57 Chairman Daniels opened the floor for questions or comments and saw none.

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Chairman Daniels indicated the public hearing for the 2009 Bond & Budget was complete and the hearing was closed at 7:20 p.m. The Board of Selectman meeting will reconvene at 7:30 p.m.

Chairman, Gary L. Daniels

Member, Mike Putnam

Vice Chairman, Tim Finan

Member, Kathy Bauer

Member, James Dannis