

AMENDED MOTION FOR ARTICLE 26

PROPOSED MOTION:

I move to amend the following Department Budgets:

- A. Decrease Dept. 940, Other Financing Uses, Sewer Fund subsidy (object 596013, page 161) from \$938,551.00 to \$858,577.00, a net decrease to the Department of (\$79,974.00).
- B. Increase Dept. 123, Town Manager, Asst. Town Manager salary (new object, page 114) from zero to \$30,000.00, resulting in a net increase to the Department of \$30,000.00.
- C. Increase Dept. 145, Treasurer/Collector, Land Reg/Recording Service Bureau, (object 530025, page 120) from \$20,000.00 to \$50,000.00, resulting in a net increase to the Department of \$30,000.00.
- D. Increase Dept. 220, Fire, Firefighters (object 511065, page 133) from \$3,709,682.00 to \$3,788,482.00 and decrease Fire, Overtime (object 513000, page 133) from \$629,000.00 to \$570,174.00, resulting in a net increase to the department of \$19,974.00.

COMMENTS:

These changes do not result in any net change to the General Fund budget total.

Sewer Fund Subsidy:

The Sewer Fund subsidy has been reduced assuming passage of the amended motion for Article 9.

Town Manager, Assistant Town Manager Stipend:

The Town is facing enormous challenge that are all time-sensitive. In order to address issues in a timely fashion, the former Interim Town Manager will work an additional eight hours or more per week. This time will be in addition to his full-time job as the Town's Executive Director of Development Services/Town Engineer.

Treasurer/Collector, Land Reg/Recording Service Bureau

The Town has over \$4 million owed to it in delinquent property taxes. The additional \$30,000.00 is necessary to facilitate the collection of some of those taxes. This change was requested by the Department but then reduced by the Town Manager and Select Board as part of balancing the budget. This increase was endorsed by the Finance Committee initially then omitted from the final budget because of a revenue shortfall at the time of the final hearing.

Fire, Firefighters and Overtime:

The Fire Department had initially requested the addition of three firefighters but was reduced to two by the Town Manager and Select Board because of the shortfall in estimated revenue at that time. When the State local aid estimate was reported and our revenue estimate increased, the Select Board requested that the Finance Committee add the third firefighter, which was not approved by the Finance Committee.