

MINUTES
SCARBOROUGH TOWN COUNCIL
WEDNESDAY – JUNE 28, 2017
SPECIAL TOWN COUNCIL MEETING – 7:00 P.M.

Item 1. Call to Order. Chairman Babine called the special meeting of the Scarborough Town Council to order at 7:00 p.m.

Item 2. Pledge of Allegiance.

Item 3. Roll Call. Roll was called by Yolande P. Justice, Town Clerk. Thomas J. Hall, Town Manager was also present:

William J. Donovan	Katherine A. St. Clair, Vice-Chair
Robert W. Rowan	Peter F. Hayes
Kathleen M. Foley	Christopher J. Caiazzo
Shawn A. Babine, Chairman	

Order No. 17-063, 7:00 p.m. Public Hearing on the FY2018 Municipal/School Budget. *[Town Manager]* Prior to the public hearing Chairman Babine gave brief overview on the process and the recommended amount that the budget would be reduced by.

Chairman Babine opened the public hearing. The following individuals spoke on this Order:

- Susan Hamill of Bay Street made a few comments regarding the budget and felt that a token decrease was not enough. We need to project out more than one year; reduce the total debt and hire outside consultants to review where there could be possible cuts or re-organization of departments.
- Cindy Kueck of Moors Point Road also spoke on the “One town One budget” – the school lost a huge chunk of money and it should be the town that absorbs the cuts. We need to work together as a unit.
- Jenn Jubulis of Haystack Circle also spoke on the School Budget and voiced her concerns regarding the misleading information that had been posted. She was worried about the way Scarborough Schools would be down the road, adding that the children deserve to succeed. Please fund our schools.
- Jackie Perry Black Point Road and a member of the Board of Education, thanked the Town Council for all their service and efforts during this budget cycle. She made further comments about past budgets as well as the current budget. Good schools draw people to our town. Remember the students as you deliberate this issue.
- William Bly of Ottawa Woods Road agreed with the prior comments regarding the budget. He was not happy about being back before the Council again. He moved here because of the reputation of the schools and was worried about the funding for the school.
- Ben Howard of Windsor Pines spoke on the school budget. He spoke on an article that had appeared on the MPR regarding if you spend more money on education, it did not mean that students would receive a better education.
- Sara Mullen of Gunstock Road supported the Schools and then thanked the Council for their service. She did not envy the task at hand. She would support the amount being recommended and also supported the “One town One budget.”

- Hillory Durgin of Sequoia Lane spoke in support of a strong school system. She spoke on possible cuts that could be made and asked the Council to support the School's Budget.
- Paula O'Brien of Pond View Drive spoke on comments regarding low voter turn and stated there were 700 plus more than last year. She further noted that it was not just seniors who voted against the budget, young parents also did.
- Hugh Morgan of Hope Lane also spoke on the budget. He went on to comment about the voter turnout and hoped that there would be more voters who come out for the next vote. He too made comments on the signs that had been put up and how misleading they were.
- Nancy Urb of Pine Ledge Drive thanked the Town Council for their service. She went on to speak about the conversation she and her family had after the vote and what it could potential happen.

There being no further comments either for or against, Chairman Babine closed the public hearing at 7:31 p.m.

Chairman Babine asked that fellow Councilors who had potential amendments to please submit them to Town Manager by 8:00 a.m. on Friday. He further stated that the meeting scheduled for Wednesday, July 5th would have a start time of 6:00 p.m.

Item 4. Adjournment. Motion by Councilor St. Clair, seconded by Councilor Caiazzo, to move approval to adjourn the special meeting of the Scarborough Town Council.

Vote: 7 Yeas.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Yolande P. Justice
Town Clerk