

GREENFIELD TOWN COUNCIL
Annual Budget Meeting Minutes
May 22, 2013

GCTV-15

7:00 pm

CALL TO ORDER: Meeting was called to order at 7:04 p.m. by President Singer.

President Singer stated this meeting was being recorded. If any other person present was doing the same, they must notify the chairperson at this time. It was noted the Town Council was audio recording and GCTV-15 was video recording the meeting for future broadcast.

ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS: Roll Call was taken. Councilor Allis was absent.

ALSO PRESENT: Mayor William Martin; Director of Municipal Finance and Administration Marjorie L. Kelly; Town Clerk Maureen Winseck; School Superintendent Susan Hollins; Business Manager Elizabeth Gilman; Recreation Director Christy Moore; Mayor's Director of Economic Development & Marketing Robert Pyers; Interim Police Chief Joseph Burge; Library Assistant Director Lisa Prolman; DPW Director Art Baker; DPW Office Manager Janine Greaves; Police Dispatcher Jesse Sinclair; Treasurer/Collector Kelly Varner; Human Resource Director Dennis Helmus; Council on Aging Director Hope Macary; Central Maintenance Facility Manager George VanDelinder; Assessor Audrey Murphy; Director of Planning Eric Twarog; Energy; Sustainability Coordinator Carole Collins; GCTV-15 staff; Anita Phillips, *the Recorder*; and members of the public.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

PUBLIC HEARINGS: None.

Councilor Allis held the following second reading:

MAYOR'S PROPOSED FISCAL YEAR 2014 OPERATING BUDGET

CATEGORY

LEGISLATIVE	\$ 42,580
EXECUTIVE	\$ 246,200
FINANCIAL ADMIN	\$ 961,005
OPERATIONS SUPPORT	\$ 414,120
LICENSING & REGISTRATION	\$ 223,910
LAND USE & DEVELOPMENT	\$ 156,250
OTHER GEN'L GOVERNMENT	\$ 1,501,500
PUBLIC SAFETY	\$ 5,474,480
EDUCATION	\$ 17,541,507
PUBLIC WORKS	\$ 2,392,000
HUMAN SERVICES	\$ 998,405
CULTURE & RECREATION	\$ 707,500
DEBT SERVICE	\$ 2,487,000
MISCELLANEOUS	\$ 10,629,375
TOTAL OPERATING BUDGET	\$ 43,775,832

MAYOR'S PROPOSED FISCAL YEAR 2014 CAPITAL BUDGET

<i>GEN'L GOVT</i>	<i>SOURCE</i>	<i>AMOUNT</i>
REPLACE TOWN HALL ROOF	Borrowing	175,000
STREETLIGHT RETROFIT	Borrowing	100,000

TOWNWIDE RADIO SYSTEM	Borrowing	84,000
POLICE DEPT		
MARKED CRUISER	Available Funds	40,000
UPGRADE VIDEO/SECURITY SYSTEM	Taxation/Borrowing	47,000
FIRE DEPT		
REPLACE AIR PACKS	Borrowing	71,500
SCHOOL DEPT		
UPGRADE SCHOOL SECURITY	Borrowing	50,000
TECHNOLOGY	Taxation/Borrowing	80,000
SCHOOL VEHICLES	Taxation/Borrowing	80,000
REPAIR NEWTON ROOF	Borrowing	50,000
DPW		
CHAPTER 90	Grant	650,000
REPLACE GUARDRAILS	Borrowing	30,000
PAVE CHAPMAN/DAVIS LOT	Available Funds	100,000
SIDEWALKS	Borrowing	50,000
EQUIPMENT	Borrowing	72,000
SCREENING OF MATERIAL	Available Funds	25,000
NORTH ST PARKING	Available Funds	19,500
LIBRARY		
PLANNING/DESIGN GRANT	Available Funds	20,000
RECREATION		
PURCHASE WEBTRAC SOFTWARE	Available Funds	10,000
UPGRADES TO SWIM AREA	Available Funds	10,000
SEWER FUND		
IMPROVE SEWER I/I	Borrowing	150,000
PURCHASE VACTOR TRUCK	Borrowing	350,000
PURCHASE ROTARY SLUDGE PRESS	Borrowing	540,000
WATER FUND		
REPLACE LEYDEN RD 14" WATER MN	Borrowing	100,000
REPLACE BACKHOE	Borrowing	145,000
TOTAL CAPITAL BUDGET		3,049,000

Councilor Allis held the following second reading:

THE SUM OF \$1,500,000 BE APPROPRIATED TO PURCHASE PROPERTY OWNED BY S & W REALTY LOCATED AT 298 FEDERAL ST., UNIT A, GREENFIELD, MA, DESCRIBED IN THE FRANKLIN COUNTY REGISTRY OF DEEDS, BOOK 3812, PAGE 40, AS AMENDED (THE "CONDOMINIUM") AND PROPERTY OWNED BY GREENFIELD SILVER, INC., f/k/a LUNT SILVERSMITH, INC. LOCATED AT 298 FEDERAL ST., UNIT B, GREENFIELD, MA, DESCRIBED IN THE FRANKLIN COUNTY REGISTRY OF DEEDS, BOOK 3894, PAGE 34, AS AMENDED AND TO MEET SAID APPROPRIATION, THE TREASURER WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE MAYOR, IS HEREBY AUTHORIZED TO BORROW SAID SUM OF \$1,500,000 PURSUANT TO MASSACHUSETTS GENERAL LAWS, CHAPTER 44, SECTION 7 (3) OR ANY OTHER ENABLING STATUTE, AND THE MAYOR IS HEREBY AUTHORIZED TO APPLY FOR, CONTRACT FOR, ACCEPT AND EXPEND ANY FEDERAL AND/OR STATE GRANTS AVAILABLE FOR THIS PROJECT TO BE USED TO REDUCE THE WITHIN APPROPRIATION, AND FURTHER, THE MAYOR IS AUTHORIZED TO TAKE ANY ACTION NECESSARY TO CARRY OUT THE INTENT AND PURPOSE OF THIS PROJECT.

COMMUNICATIONS:

MAYOR: President Singer offered to allow the Mayor to speak during the budget discussion, if needed.

SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT AND SCHOOL COMMITTEE: Superintendent Hollins and Chairman Lunt discussed the following:

- The School department was a unique 10 month operation.
- Virtual Schools now has a 5 member board.
- School professional evaluations
- New state laws regarding student suspensions. Legislation drives up the cost of education.
- Special education.
- Out of 46 low income communities in Massachusetts, Greenfield was in the top 25 for performance.
- Greenfield High School construction update.

Councilor Allis discussed the retirement of one of his favorite teachers Mr. Paul Calcari and the concert held in his honor. He thanked the company performing the work on the new Greenfield High School for opening the parking lot for the event.

TOWN OFFICERS: None.

MOTIONS, ORDERS, AND RESOLUTIONS**Order no. FY 13 – 110**

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Wisnewski, second by Councilor Devlin, it was unanimously,

VOTED: THAT IT BE ORDERED THAT THE GREENFIELD TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY APPROVES THE ATTACHED ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION WARRANT FOR JUNE 25, 2013 AND FURTHER AUTHORIZES THE TOWN COUNCIL PRESIDENT TO SIGN SAID WARRANT ON BEHALF OF THE TOWN COUNCIL.

Order no. FY 13-111

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Wisnewski, second by Councilor Devlin, it was unanimously,

VOTED: THAT IT BE ORDERED THAT THE GREENFIELD TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY APPROVES THE ATTACHED SPECIAL STATE ELECTION WARRANT FOR JUNE 25, 2013 AND FURTHER AUTHORIZES THE TOWN COUNCIL PRESIDENT TO SIGN SAID WARRANT ON BEHALF OF THE TOWN COUNCIL.

Order no. FY 13-113***Financial Order FY14-01***

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Allis, second by Councilor Ronhave, it was,

MOVED: THAT IT BE ORDERED, UPON RECOMMENDATION OF THE MAYOR THAT THE SUMS OF MONEY FOR THE PURPOSES LISTED ON THE “TOWN OF GREENFIELD GENERAL FUND OPERATING BUDGET”, NOT TO BE EXCEEDED OF \$43,775,832 FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2014, AND TO MEET SAID APPROPRIATION, \$325,000 SHALL BE TRANSFERRED FROM PARKING METER RECEIPTS, AND THE BALANCE SHALL BE RAISED AND APPROPRIATED.

DISCUSSION: Councilor Allis and President Singer reviewed the process for budget amendments. Councilor Allis read the following for the Fiscal Year 2014 operating budget:

Legislative

Total Town Council -\$ 42,580

Total Legislative-\$ 42,580

Executive

Total Mayor -\$171,920
 Total Assist To The Mayor - \$74,280
Total Executive - \$246,200

Financial Administration

Reserve Fund - \$150,000
 Total Accounting - \$168,795
 Independent Town Audit - \$38,500
 Total Assessors - \$160,350
 Total Finance - \$95,960
 Total Treasurer/Collector - \$281,400
 Tax Title - \$66,000
Total Fin Admin - \$961,005

Operations Support

Total Legal- \$ 110,000
 Total Human Resources - \$176,620
 Total Management Info. Sys. - \$127,500
Total Operations Support Supp - \$414,120

Licensing & Registration

Total Town Clerk- \$145,490
 Total Elections- \$35,600
 Total Board Of Registrars- \$15,000
 Total Licensing Commission- \$27,820
Total Lic & Reg- \$223,910

Land Use & Development

Conservation Comm- \$1,400
 Planning Board- \$1,000
 Zoning Board Of Appeals - \$1,000
 Total Planning & Comm. Development - \$149,750
 Greenfield Redev Auth. - \$3,100
Total Land Use & Dev- \$156,250

Other General Government

Central Maint- \$1,501,500
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Public Safety

Total Police- \$2,692,700
 Total Parking Enforcement- \$109,500
 Total Dispatch Center- \$489,400
 Total Fire- \$1,893,400
 Total Building Inspector- \$154,250
 Plumbing & Wire Inspections- \$60,100
 Sealer Of Wghts & Msrs- \$11,000
 Animal Inspector- \$3,200
 Total Civil Defense- \$19,000
 Total Animal Control- \$41,930
Total Public Safety- \$5,474,480

Education

Greenfield Public Schools- \$16,540,000
 Regional Schools- \$1,001,507
Total Education- \$17,541,507

Public Works

Total Operating Budget- \$1,810,000
 Total Snow Removal- \$200,000
Total Public Works- \$2,010,000

Other D. P. W. Related Expenses

Street Cleaning- \$60,000
 Trash Disposal Fees- \$322,000
Total Other D. P. W. - \$382,000

Human Services

Total Health Inspection Service- \$152,350
 Total Council On Aging- \$126,555
 Total Veterans' Svcs- \$716,500
 Domestic Violence Prev- \$1,000
 Human Rights Comm- \$1,000
 Disability Access Comm - \$1,000
Total Human Services- \$998,405

Culture & Recreation

Total Library- \$614,500
 Total Recreation - \$92,000
 Historical Commission- \$1,000
Total Culture & Rec- \$707,500

Debt Service

Bonded Debt Principal- \$2,039,000
 Bonded Debt Interest- \$363,000
 Short Term Interest- \$85,000
Total Debt Service- \$2,487,000

Miscellaneous

FRCOG Core Assessments- \$104,900
 Contributory Retirement- \$2,998,375
 Non-Contributory Retire- \$29,800
 Worker's Compensation- \$230,000
 Unemployment Compensation- \$100,000
 Employees' Health Ins- \$6,285,000
 Employees' Life Ins- \$61,000
 Post Emp Benefits- \$75,000
 Medicare Match- \$330,000
 Liability Insurances- \$415,300
 A. K. Warner Trust Fund- 0
 Jennie L. Bascomb Trust - 0
Total Miscellaneous- \$10,629,375

Total Operating- \$43,775,832

Councilor Zaltzberg referenced a conversation held at Ways and Means Committee relating to the cost of post employment benefits. This included possible rejection of the Mayor's budget in order to place Proposition 2 ½ funds into a savings account to levy the cost of the post employment benefits. This

would help address this unfunded mandate. Mayor Martin, Ms. Kelly, and Councilors discussed the following:

- A plan was needed to pay down the \$80 million dollars in post employment benefits, retirement and pensions.
- The need to create a stabilization fund specifically to fund OPEBS.
- The Town cannot create a savings account for future use.
- The Town should tax to the legal limit. The unencumbered funds should be put in the operating budget in the post employment benefits line item.
- There were initiatives in the State Legislature to deal with this issue.
- The proposed budgets were adequate to fill the needs of department.
- If the Town Council had approved the Municipal Health Care Act, the Town could have saved money for years to come.
- Defeating this budget did not make sense at this point.
- Expressed concern with the amount of money due for post employment benefits, retirement and pensions. There were no plans before the Council indicating a solution.
- This is the first time the town was able to have a budget that did not require all of the funds to be spent for operating.
- It would be a missed opportunity not to save the proposition 2 ½ funds.
- Prefer that the proposition 2 ½ funds be used by the departments that were not fully funded.
- The Ways and Means Committee forwarded a majority, 4 yes and 1 no, positive recommendation.
- If this budget was approved, the Mayor would understand what the Town Council desired funds be used for.
- Expressed concern regarding the Town's debt and the opportunity to pay the debt down.

President Singer, Councilors Devlin and Allis would vote in favor of the budget as proposed by the Mayor. Councilors Athey, Wisnewski, and Hoffman would not vote in favor of the proposed budget.

It was by majority, 10 yes, 3 no,

VOTED: TO APPROVE ORDER NO. FY 13 -113.

Order no. FY 13-114

Financial Order 14-02

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Allis, second by Councilor Wisnewski, it was,

MOVED: THAT IT BE ORDERED, UPON RECOMMENDATION OF THE MAYOR THAT THE TOWN OF GREENFIELD APPROPRIATES THE SUM OF \$2,324,055 FOR THE SEWER ENTERPRISE FUND FOR THE PURPOSES LISTED ON THE ATTACHED SEWER ENTERPRISE FUND OPERATING BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2014, AND TO MEET SAID APPROPRIATION, \$2,324,055 SHALL BE RAISED FROM SEWER RECEIPTS.

DISCUSSION: Councilor Allis summarized the operating budget used for sewer operations within the Town. Greenfield was one of the only communities which performed their own sewer and water duties.

It was unanimously, 13 yes, 0 no,

VOTED: TO APPROVE ORDER NO. FY 13 -114.

Order no. FY13-115

Financial Order 14-03

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Allis, second by Councilor Wisnewski, it was,
MOVED: THAT IT BE ORDERED, UPON RECOMMENDATION OF THE MAYOR THAT THE TOWN OF GREENFIELD APPROPRIATES THE SUM OF \$1,671,015 FOR THE WATER ENTERPRISE FUND FOR THE PURPOSES LISTED ON THE ATTACHED WATER ENTERPRISE FUND OPERATING BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2014, AND TO MEET SAID APPROPRIATION, \$1,671,015 SHALL BE RAISED FROM WATER RECEIPTS.

DISCUSSION: Ms. Kelly stated that “indirect cost transfers” were cost allowed by law to be paid to departments which performed functions for the department.

It was unanimously, 13 yes, 0 no,

VOTED: TO APPROVE ORDER NO. FY 13 -115.

Order no. FY 13-116

Financial Order 14-04

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Allis, second by Councilor Wisnewski, it was unanimously,
VOTED: THAT IT BE ORDERED, UPON RECOMMENDATION OF THE MAYOR THAT THE TOWN OF GREENFIELD AUTHORIZES THE ESTABLISHMENT OF DEPARTMENTAL REVOLVING FUNDS PURSUANT TO MASSACHUSETTS GENERAL LAWS, CHAPTER 44, SECTION 53 E ½ FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2014, WITH SPECIFIC RECEIPTS CREDITED TO EACH FUND, THE PURPOSES FOR WHICH EACH FUND MAY BE SPENT AND THE MAXIMUM THAT MAY BE SPENT FROM EACH FUND AS LISTED ON THE ATTACHED DEPARTMENTAL REVOLVING FUNDS CHART, AND THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT OF ALL REVOLVING FUNDS SO AUTHORIZED IS NOT TO EXCEED \$306,150.

Councilor Allis reported the Ways and Means Committee forwarded unanimous positive recommendations for all the capital requests. He was a member of the Capital Committee which forwarded the recommendation to the Mayor.

Order no. FY 13-117

Financial Order 14

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Allis, second by Councilor Wisnewski, it was unanimously,
VOTED: IT BE ORDERED, UPON RECOMMENDATION OF THE MAYOR THAT THE SUM OF \$494,500 BE APPROPRIATED FOR THE FOLLOWING PURPOSES AND AMOUNTS:

<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Purchase LED Streetlights	\$100,000
Purchase One (1) Marked Cruiser	\$40,000
Purchase Video Security System for the PD	\$47,000
Replace Air Packs for Fire Department	\$71,500
Purchase Student Transport Vehicles	\$80,000
Purchase Public Works Trailer	\$72,000
Purchase Town Wide Radio System	<u>\$84,000</u>
Totals	\$494,500

AND TO MEET SAID APPROPRIATION, THE TREASURER WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE MAYOR, IS HEREBY AUTHORIZED TO BORROW SAID SUM OF \$494,500, PURSUANT TO MASSACHUSETTS GENERAL LAWS, CHAPTER 44, SECTION 7 (9) OR ANY OTHER ENABLING STATUTE, AND THE MAYOR IS HEREBY AUTHORIZED TO APPLY FOR, CONTRACT FOR, ACCEPT AND EXPEND ANY FEDERAL AND/OR STATE GRANTS AVAILABLE FOR THIS PROJECT TO BE USED TO REDUCE THE WITHIN APPROPRIATION,

AND FURTHER, THE MAYOR IS AUTHORIZED TO TAKE ANY ACTION NECESSARY TO CARRY OUT THE INTENT AND PURPOSE OF THESE PROJECTS.

Order no. FY 13-118

Financial Order 14

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Allis, second by Councilor Wisnewski, it was unanimously, **VOTED:** THAT IT BE ORDERED, UPON RECOMMENDATION OF THE MAYOR THAT THE SUM OF \$275,000 BE APPROPRIATED FOR THE FOLLOWING PURPOSES AND AMOUNTS:

<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Replace Town Hall Roof	\$175,000
Upgrade School Security Systems	\$50,000
Repair Newton School Roof	<u>\$50,000</u>
Totals	\$275,000

AND TO MEET SAID APPROPRIATION, THE TREASURER WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE MAYOR, IS HEREBY AUTHORIZED TO BORROW SAID SUM OF \$275,000, PURSUANT TO MASSACHUSETTS GENERAL LAWS, CHAPTER 44, SECTION 7 (3A) OR ANY OTHER ENABLING STATUTE, AND THE MAYOR IS HEREBY AUTHORIZED TO APPLY FOR, CONTRACT FOR, ACCEPT AND EXPEND ANY FEDERAL AND/OR STATE GRANTS AVAILABLE FOR THIS PROJECT TO BE USED TO REDUCE THE WITHIN APPROPRIATION, AND FURTHER, THE MAYOR IS AUTHORIZED TO TAKE ANY ACTION NECESSARY TO CARRY OUT THE INTENT AND PURPOSE OF THESE PROJECTS.

Order no. FY 13-119

Financial Order 14

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Allis, second by Councilor Wisnewski, it was unanimously, **VOTED:** THAT IT BE ORDERED, UPON RECOMMENDATION OF THE MAYOR THAT THE SUM OF \$80,000 BE APPROPRIATED FOR THE PURCHASE OF SCHOOL COMPUTER TECHNOLOGY AND TO MEET SAID APPROPRIATION, THE TREASURER WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE MAYOR, IS HEREBY AUTHORIZED TO BORROW SAID SUM OF \$80,000, PURSUANT TO MASSACHUSETTS GENERAL LAWS, CHAPTER 44, SECTION 7 (28 & 29) OR ANY OTHER ENABLING STATUTE, AND THE MAYOR IS HEREBY AUTHORIZED TO APPLY FOR, CONTRACT FOR, ACCEPT AND EXPEND ANY FEDERAL AND/OR STATE GRANTS AVAILABLE FOR THIS PROJECT TO BE USED TO REDUCE THE WITHIN APPROPRIATION, AND FURTHER, THE MAYOR IS AUTHORIZED TO TAKE ANY ACTION NECESSARY TO CARRY OUT THE INTENT AND PURPOSE OF THESE PROJECTS.

Order no. FY 13-120

Financial Order 14

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Allis, second by Councilor Wisnewski, it was unanimously, **VOTED:** THAT IT BE ORDERED, UPON RECOMMENDATION OF THE MAYOR THAT THE SUM OF \$30,000 BE APPROPRIATED TO INSTALL AND REPAIR TOWN GUARDRAILS, AND TO MEET SAID APPROPRIATION, THE TREASURER WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE MAYOR, IS HEREBY AUTHORIZED TO BORROW SAID SUM OF \$30,000, PURSUANT TO MASSACHUSETTS GENERAL LAWS, CHAPTER 44, SECTION 7 (7) OR ANY OTHER ENABLING STATUTE, AND THE MAYOR IS HEREBY AUTHORIZED TO APPLY FOR, CONTRACT FOR, ACCEPT AND EXPEND ANY FEDERAL AND/OR STATE GRANTS AVAILABLE FOR THIS PROJECT TO BE USED TO REDUCE THE WITHIN APPROPRIATION, AND FURTHER, THE MAYOR IS AUTHORIZED TO TAKE ANY ACTION NECESSARY TO CARRY OUT THE INTENT AND PURPOSE OF THESE PROJECTS.

Order no. FY 13-121

Financial Order 14

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Allis, second by Councilor Wisnewski, it was,**MOVED:** THAT IT BE ORDERED, UPON RECOMMENDATION OF THE MAYOR THAT THE SUM OF \$100,000 BE APPROPRIATED TO REPAVE THE CHAPMAN & DAVIS PARKING LOT AND TO MEET SAID APPROPRIATION, THE TREASURER WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE MAYOR, IS HEREBY AUTHORIZED TO BORROW SAID SUM OF \$100,000, PURSUANT TO MASSACHUSETTS GENERAL LAWS, CHAPTER 44, SECTION 7 (6) OR ANY OTHER ENABLING STATUTE, AND THE MAYOR IS HEREBY AUTHORIZED TO APPLY FOR, CONTRACT FOR, ACCEPT AND EXPEND ANY FEDERAL AND/OR STATE GRANTS AVAILABLE FOR THIS PROJECT TO BE USED TO REDUCE THE WITHIN APPROPRIATION, AND FURTHER, THE MAYOR IS AUTHORIZED TO TAKE ANY ACTION NECESSARY TO CARRY OUT THE INTENT AND PURPOSE OF THESE PROJECTS.**DISCUSSION:** Councilor Allis explained the funds would be either from parking receipts or borrowed funds to be paid for from parking receipts.

It was unanimously, 13 yes, 0 no,

VOTED: TO APPROVE ORDER NO. FY 13 -121.**Order no. FY 13-122**

Financial Order 14

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Allis, second by Councilor Wisnewski, it was unanimously,**VOTED:** THAT IT BE ORDERED, UPON RECOMMENDATION OF THE MAYOR THAT THE SUM OF \$50,000 BE APPROPRIATED FOR TO REPLACE TOWN SIDEWALKS AND TO MEET SAID APPROPRIATION, THE TREASURER WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE MAYOR, IS HEREBY AUTHORIZED TO BORROW SAID SUM OF \$50,000, PURSUANT TO MASSACHUSETTS GENERAL LAWS, CHAPTER 44, SECTION 7 (6) OR ANY OTHER ENABLING STATUTE, AND THE MAYOR IS HEREBY AUTHORIZED TO APPLY FOR, CONTRACT FOR, ACCEPT AND EXPEND ANY FEDERAL AND/OR STATE GRANTS AVAILABLE FOR THIS PROJECT TO BE USED TO REDUCE THE WITHIN APPROPRIATION, AND FURTHER, THE MAYOR IS AUTHORIZED TO TAKE ANY ACTION NECESSARY TO CARRY OUT THE INTENT AND PURPOSE OF THESE PROJECTS.**Order no. FY 13-123**

Financial Order 14

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Allis, second by Councilor Wisnewski, it was,**MOVED:** THAT IT BE ORDERED, UPON RECOMMENDATION OF THE MAYOR THAT THE SUM OF \$84,500 BE APPROPRIATED FROM THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT STABILIZATION FUND FOR THE FOLLOWING PURPOSES AND AMOUNTS:

<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Screening of DPW Material	\$25,000
Creation of Parking Area on North Street	19,500
Planning & Design Grant for the Library	20,000
Purchase WebTrac Software for Recreation	10,000
<u>Upgrades to the Swim Area</u>	<u>10,000</u>
Totals	\$84,500

DISCUSSION: Councilor Allis stated the funds would come from a stabilization account rather than borrowing for these items. The new parking area was for offices relocated from Town Hall to Sanderson Street.

It was unanimously, 13 yes, 0 no,

VOTED: TO APPROVE ORDER NO. FY 13 -123.

Order no. FY 13 -124

Financial Order FY14

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Allis, second by Councilor Wisnewski, it was unanimously, **VOTED:** THAT IT BE ORDERED, UPON RECOMMENDATION OF THE MAYOR THAT THE SUM OF \$150,000 BE APPROPRIATED TO IMPROVE AND RECONSTRUCT SEWER INFLOW AND INFILTRATION FACILITIES, AND TO MEET SAID APPROPRIATION, THE TREASURER WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE MAYOR, IS HEREBY AUTHORIZED TO BORROW SAID SUM OF \$150,000, PURSUANT TO MASSACHUSETTS GENERAL LAWS, CHAPTER 44, SECTION 8 (15) OR ANY OTHER ENABLING STATUTE, AND THE MAYOR IS HEREBY AUTHORIZED TO APPLY FOR, CONTRACT FOR, ACCEPT AND EXPEND ANY FEDERAL AND/OR STATE GRANTS AVAILABLE FOR THIS PROJECT TO BE USED TO REDUCE THE WITHIN APPROPRIATION, AND FURTHER, THE MAYOR IS AUTHORIZED TO TAKE ANY ACTION NECESSARY TO CARRY OUT THE INTENT AND PURPOSE OF THESE PROJECTS.

Order no. FY 13 -125

Financial Order FY14

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Allis, second by Councilor Wisnewski, it was, **MOVED:** THAT IT BE ORDERED, UPON RECOMMENDATION OF THE MAYOR THAT THE SUM OF \$145,000 BE APPROPRIATED FROM THE WATER FUND RETAINED EARNINGS TO PURCHASE A NEW BACKHOE FOR THE WATER DEPARTMENT.

DISCUSSION: Councilor Allis stated these funds were paid out of the water enterprise fund.

It was unanimously, 13 yes, 0 no,

VOTED: TO APPROVE ORDER NO. FY 13 -125.

Order no. FY 13 -126

Financial Order FY14

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Allis, second by Councilor Wisnewski, it was unanimously, **VOTED:** THAT IT BE ORDERED, UPON RECOMMENDATION OF THE MAYOR THAT THE SUM OF \$890,000 BE APPROPRIATED TO PURCHASE SEWER ENTERPRISE FUND EQUIPMENT FOR THE FOLLOWING PURPOSES AND AMOUNTS:

Purchase Vactor Truck	\$350,000
Purchase Rotary Sludge Press	<u>\$540,000</u>
Total	\$890,000

AND TO MEET SAID APPROPRIATION, THE TREASURER WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE MAYOR, IS HEREBY AUTHORIZED TO BORROW SAID SUM OF \$890,000, PURSUANT TO MASSACHUSETTS GENERAL LAWS, CHAPTER 44, SECTION 7 (9) OR ANY OTHER ENABLING STATUTE, AND THE MAYOR IS HEREBY AUTHORIZED TO APPLY FOR, CONTRACT FOR, ACCEPT AND EXPEND ANY FEDERAL AND/OR STATE GRANTS

AVAILABLE FOR THIS PROJECT TO BE USED TO REDUCE THE WITHIN APPROPRIATION, AND FURTHER, THE MAYOR IS AUTHORIZED TO TAKE ANY ACTION NECESSARY TO CARRY OUT THE INTENT AND PURPOSE OF THESE PROJECTS.

Order no. FY 13-127

Financial Order FY14-

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Allis, second by Councilor Wisnewski, it was unanimously, **VOTED:** THAT IT BE ORDERED, UPON RECOMMENDATION OF THE MAYOR THAT THE SUM OF \$100,000 BE APPROPRIATED TO REPAIR AND REPLACE THE LEYDEN ROAD FOURTEEN (14) INCH WATER MAIN, AND TO MEET SAID APPROPRIATION, THE TREASURER WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE MAYOR, IS HEREBY AUTHORIZED TO BORROW SAID SUM OF \$100,000, PURSUANT TO MASSACHUSETTS GENERAL LAWS, CHAPTER 44, SECTION 8 (5) OR ANY OTHER ENABLING STATUTE, AND THE MAYOR IS HEREBY AUTHORIZED TO APPLY FOR, CONTRACT FOR, ACCEPT AND EXPEND ANY FEDERAL AND/OR STATE GRANTS AVAILABLE FOR THIS PROJECT TO BE USED TO REDUCE THE WITHIN APPROPRIATION, AND FURTHER, THE MAYOR IS AUTHORIZED TO TAKE ANY ACTION NECESSARY TO CARRY OUT THE INTENT AND PURPOSE OF THESE PROJECTS.

Ms. Kelly noted the Town was not required to vote Chapter 90 funds.

President Singer thanked the Ways and Means Committee for all their hard work relating to the operating and capital budgets.

Order no. FY 13-128

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Allis, second by Councilor Wisnewski, it was, **MOVED:** THAT IT BE ORDERED, UPON RECOMMENDATION OF THE MAYOR THAT THE FOLLOWING ORDER BE RESCINDED: ORDER 13-080 PURCHASE OF LUNT PROPERTY DATED MARCH 4, 2013 \$1,500,000.

DISCUSSION: The original order was deemed to be defective by Bond Counsel. The order should be rescinded to ensure that the Town did not have duplicate orders in authorized unissued debt.

It was unanimously, 13 yes, 0 no,

VOTED: TO APPROVE ORDER NO. FY 13 -128.

Order no. FY 13-112

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Allis, second by Councilor Wisnewski, it was, **MOVED:** THAT IT BE ORDERED, UPON RECOMMENDATION OF THE MAYOR THAT THE SUM OF \$1,500,000 BE APPROPRIATED TO PURCHASE PROPERTY OWNED BY S & W REALTY LOCATED AT 298 FEDERAL ST., UNIT A, GREENFIELD, MA, DESCRIBED IN THE FRANKLIN COUNTY REGISTRY OF DEEDS, BOOK 3812, PAGE 40, AS AMENDED (THE "CONDOMINIUM") AND PROPERTY OWNED BY GREENFIELD SILVER, INC., f/k/a LUNT SILVERSMITH, INC. LOCATED AT 298 FEDERAL ST., UNIT B, GREENFIELD, MA, DESCRIBED IN THE FRANKLIN COUNTY REGISTRY OF DEEDS, BOOK 3894, PAGE 34, AS AMENDED AND TO MEET SAID APPROPRIATION, THE TREASURER WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE MAYOR, IS HEREBY AUTHORIZED TO BORROW SAID SUM OF \$1,500,000 PURSUANT TO MASSACHUSETTS GENERAL LAWS, CHAPTER 44, SECTION 7 (3) OR ANY

OTHER ENABLING STATUTE, AND THE MAYOR IS HEREBY AUTHORIZED TO APPLY FOR, CONTRACT FOR, ACCEPT AND EXPEND ANY FEDERAL AND/OR STATE GRANTS AVAILABLE FOR THIS PROJECT TO BE USED TO REDUCE THE WITHIN APPROPRIATION, AND FURTHER, THE MAYOR IS AUTHORIZED TO TAKE ANY ACTION NECESSARY TO CARRY OUT THE INTENT AND PURPOSE OF THIS PROJECT.

DISCUSSION: Mr. Pyers updated the Town Council relating to the ongoing issues regarding the Lunt property. The following discussion was held:

- Contamination found from monitoring devices, which were fairly low.
- Additional testing would be done.
- Covenant not to sue.
- The previously approved contract had expired. When the new contract was complete, it would be brought before the Town Council.
- The Town would potentially take the property in two (2) phases.
- Approximately \$500,000 would be received in back taxes when the purchase was finalized.
- Why should the town pay the same price for property with more contamination than expected?
- The current strategy was to acquire the contaminated portion of the property by “tax title” taking. If this was to change, the Town Council would be informed. By doing this, the Town was giving up the option for a “covenant not to sue”.
- The Town would not have the obligation to cleanup any contamination on the properties. However, the plan included cleanup of the property for sale.
- The market center on the property was not contaminated and would be “flipped” as soon as possible.
- Deadlines for the current schedule.

Councilors Allis, Athey and Renaud would not vote in favor of this order.

It was by majority, 10 yes, 3 no,

VOTED: TO APPROVE ORDER NO. FY 13 -112.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS AND SIMILAR PAPERS None.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

MOTIONS FOR RECONSIDERATION: None.

PUBLIC FORUM: None.

ADJOURNMENT: On a motion by Councilor Wisnewski, second by Councilor Maloni, it was unanimously,

VOTED: TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 9:45 P.M.

A true copy,

Attest: _____
Maureen T. Winseck, Town Clerk

GREENFIELD TOWN COUNCIL MEMBERS

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Regular Meeting

July 22, 2013

1. Kelner, Marian	P						
2. Zaltzberg, Keith	P						
3. Allis, Brickett	N						
4. Ronhave, Steven	P						
5. Singer, David	P						
6. Hoffman, Hillary	P						
7. Renaud, Karen	N						
8. Shapiro Miller, Karen	P						
9. Hirschfeld, Norman	P						
10. Athey, Dalton	N						
11. Wisnewski, Mark	P						
12. Devlin, Patrick	P						
13. Maloni, Mark	P						