

**RECORD OF ACTION TAKEN AT THE
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
APRIL 2, 2007**

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant, the legal voters of the Town of Ipswich met in the Ipswich High School/Middle School Performing Arts Center in said Town of Ipswich on Monday, April 2, 2007. A quorum being present (254 present – 200 required), the meeting was called to order by the Moderator, Mr. A. James Grimes, III, at 7:43 p.m.

Non-registered persons were given permission to attend the meeting as spectators and were seated on the floor to the left of the stage.

ARTICLE 1

CONSENT CALENDAR

On motion made by Mr. Patrick McNally, duly seconded it was

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED TO:

- (1) Fix the salary and compensation of all elected Town Officers as presented in the town and school operating budgets;
- (2) Choose the following officers, viz: A Moderator for one [1] year; two [2] Selectmen for three [3] years; two [2] members of the School Committee for three [3] years; the above officers to be voted on one ballot at the YMCA Gymnasium, 110 County Road, on TUESDAY, APRIL 10, 2007. The polls shall open at 7:00 a.m. and shall close at 8:00 p.m.;
- (3) Transfer \$275,000 from surplus funds in the Electric Division to the General Fund;
- (4) Rescind the unexpended balance of \$130,100 from the bond authorization approved under Article 19 of the April 5, 1999 Annual Town Meeting; and
- (5) Authorize the Board of Selectmen to appoint temporarily a member of said Board to Acting Town Manager for a limited period of time not to exceed the date of the 2008 Annual Town Meeting for purposes of vacation, leave, or absence in accordance with Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 268A, sections 20 and 21A.

ARTICLE 2

FINANCE COMMITTEE ELECTION

On motion made by Mr. Daniel Clasby, duly seconded it was

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED TO:

Elect Marion Swan to the Finance Committee for a term of three (3) years.

ARTICLE 3

DATE OF THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

On motion made by Ms. Elizabeth Kilcoyne, duly seconded, it was

VOTED (90 YES – 72 NO) TO:

Amend the General By-Laws to change Chapter II, Section 1(a), “Annual Town Meeting” to replace the following language:

“The Annual Town Meeting of the Town shall be held on a date and at a time as specified by the Board of Selectmen in the warrant, within the first seven calendar days of the month of April; and all business, except the election of such officers and the determination of such matters as by law or by this chapter are required to be elected or determined by ballot, shall be considered at that meeting or at an adjournment thereof to another day. That part of the Annual Town Meeting devoted to the election of officers and the determination of such questions as by law or by this chapter are required to be elected or determined by ballot shall be held on a Tuesday in April not less than eight (8) nor more than fifteen (15) days after the first date of said meeting, in accordance with the provisions of Section 6.”

with:

“The Annual Town Meeting of the Town shall be held on the second Tuesday of the month of May and at a time as specified by the Board of Selectmen in the warrant; and all business, except the election of such officers and the determination of such matters as by law or by this chapter are required to be elected or determined by ballot, shall be considered at that meeting or at an adjournment thereof to another day. That part of the Annual Town Meeting devoted to the election of officers and the determination of such questions as by law or by this chapter are required to be elected or determined by ballot shall be held on a Tuesday in May not less than seven (7) nor more than fifteen (15) days after the first date of said meeting, in accordance with the provisions of Section 6.”

ARTICLE 4

SPECIAL STABILIZATION FUND

On motion made by Mr. James Foley, duly seconded, it was

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED TO:

Establish under Chapter 40, Section 5B of the Massachusetts General laws, a Capital Improvements Stabilization Fund for the purpose of accepting funds from a variety of sources to be used exclusively for annual capital expenditures by Town departments; and further, to transfer **\$285,000** from the general fund and **\$15,000** from free cash into the Capital Improvement Stabilization Fund.

ARTICLE 5

FY'07 TOWN BUDGET AMENDMENTS

On motion made by Mr. Edward Rauscher, duly seconded, it was

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED TO:

Amend its action taken under Article 5 of the April 3, 2006, Annual Town Meeting (the FY'07 Municipal Operating Budget), to transfer:

<i>Department</i>	<i>Acct. Number</i>	<i>Account</i>	<i>From</i>	<i>To</i>
Town Clerk	11612-5306	Data Processing	(550.00)	
	11611-5131	Overtime		526.68
	11612-5423	Special Printing	(8.18)	
	11611-5141	Diff/Incentive		31.50
Town Mgr	11232-5308	Labor Relations	(122.50)	
	11231-5121	Salaries-Temp PT		122.50
DPW-Sanitation	14312-5385	Sanitary Collection	(113,113.56)	
DPW- Admin.	14211-5115	Perm Wages		8,574.79
	14211-5126	Sick Leave Buyback		3,523.60
DPW - Equip. Maint.	14221-5126	Sick Leave Buyback		6,873.97
	14222-5483	Pts In House		5,171.00
	14222-5486	Sweeper Maint		3,000.00
DPW- Highway	14243-5818	Vehicles		21,829.00
	14242-5242	Road Treatment		49,645.00
	14242-5243	Drain Maint		10,000.00
DPW-Cemetery	14911-5114	Perm Other		4,496.20
Consolidated Bldg	14721-5115	Perm Wages	(3,000.00)	
	14722-5251	Bldg Maint		3,000.00
Building Inspector	12512-5311	Other Consultants	(500.00)	
	12512-5511	Training	(750.00)	
	12512-5733	Conf Registration	(115.00)	
	12511-5114	Salaries-Perm Other		1,365.00
Benefits	11911-5193	Retirement	(25,000.00)	
Insurance	11922-5736	Workers Comp	(20,000.00)	
Misc. Expense	11931-5110	Management Transfer	(12,828.20)	
	11932-5511	Training	(207.89)	
Police	12101-5117	Dispatcher		2,574.81
	12101-5126	Sick Leave Buyback		26,785.15
	12101-5131	Overtime		28,676.13
Capital Improvements				
Stabilization Fund		Stabilization Fund	(41,000)	
Cons Building Maint.	1472-5251	Building Repairs		41,000.00

So that total FY'07 municipal operating budget, as so amended and inclusive of override debt service, shall total \$12,438,864, offset by revenues totaling \$537,016 leaving an amount to be raised and assessed of \$11,901,848.

AND AMENDED UNDER ARTICLE 29 RECONSIDERATION AS FOLLOWS:

On motion of Mr. Patrick McNally, duly seconded it was

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED TO:

Amend Article 5 following "building repairs \$41,000" to read:

So that total FY'07 municipal operating budget, as so amended and inclusive of override debt service, shall total \$12,324,364, offset by revenues totaling \$537,016 leaving an amount to be raised and assessed of \$11,901,848 and an additional amount of \$41,000 to be transferred from the Capital Improvement Stabilization Fund authorized under Article 4, bringing the total FY'07 budget to \$12,365,364.

(See attached letter dated April 26, 2007, from Brian W. Riley, Town Counsel; and memorandum dated April 20, 2007, from Finance Director, Rita Negri regarding Article 5.)

ARTICLE 6 **PRIOR YEAR UNPAID BILLS**

On motion made by Mr. Edward Rauscher, duly seconded, it was

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED TO:

Appropriate the sum of **\$17,623.08** to pay bills incurred in prior years and remaining unpaid:

Department	Category & Vendor	Amount
Sewer	Electric & Water Bills	\$10,781.69
Water Treatment Plant	Electric Bills	\$6,841.39
	Total:	\$17,623.08

And to meet this appropriation by transferring **\$17,623.08** from the Water and Sewer Department surpluses.

ARTICLE 7 **FY'08 MUNICIPAL OPERATING BUDGET**

On motion made by Mr. Daniel Clasby, duly seconded, it was

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED TO:

- (1) Raise and appropriate the sum of **\$11,798,051** for the purposes indicated in the FY'08 Municipal Operating Budget as outlined in the Finance Committee Report, and that, in addition to the **\$11,798,051**, the Town vote to raise and appropriate:

for Excluded Debt Service.....	\$ 1,006,935
for a Total Appropriation of.....	\$ 13,348,002; and

- (2) Transfer from available funds:

from Free Cash.....	\$ 239,917
from Free Cash (restricted revenue - Library).....	\$ 30,885
from Plum Is. National Wildlife Refuge in Lieu of Taxes.....	\$ 19,224
from 4% Tourism	\$ 689

from Open Space Recreation Fund (stewardship position)..... \$ 26,746
 from Library Construction Grant..... \$ 60,300
 from the overlay surplus..... \$ 104,000

Total Available Funds..... \$ 481,761

Leaving a net to be raised and assessed of..... \$12,866,241

AND AMENDED UNDER ARTICLE 29 RECONSIDERATION AS FOLLOWS:

On motion made by Mr. Patrick McNally, duly seconded, it was

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED TO:

Delete \$28,098 from the DPW, Highways Division, and Pavement Management Account #1424-5242.

(See attached letter dated April 26, 2007, from Brian W. Riley, Town Counsel; and memorandum dated April 20, 2007, from Finance Director, Rita Negri regarding Article 7.)

ARTICLE 8

FY'08 MUNICIPAL BUDGET AMENDMENT

On motion made by Ms. Ingrid Miles, duly seconded, it was

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED TO:

Amend its action taken under Article 7 of the April 2, 2007 Annual Town Meeting, (the FY'08 Municipal Operating Budget) by increasing the appropriation thereunder by transferring **\$177,830** from the Code Enforcement Revolving Fund to the following municipal departments:

<u>Dept.#</u>	<u>Department</u>	<u>Object Code</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
242	Highways	5242	Road Treatment	\$76,396
154	MIS	5816	Microsoft Exchange Server 2003 upgrade	\$12,000
154	MIS	5816	Five year PC Replacement Program (Year 2)	\$26,000
210	Police	5818	Cruiser Replacement (1)	\$27,000
154	MIS	5816	Canon CD4070 Digital Document Recorder	\$6,434
292	Animal Control	5818	Animal Control Truck	\$20,000
620	Recreation	5816	Playground Equipment	<u>\$10,000</u>
Total				\$177,830

On motion made by Mr. Jeffrey Leob, duly seconded, it was

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED TO:

(1) Raise and appropriate the sum of **\$18,058,816** for the School Department budget for FY'08, and for the FY'08 School Department budget of **\$18,058,816**,

transfer from available funds:

Free Cash.....	\$239,916
Plum Island National Wildlife Refuge In Lieu of Taxes.....	\$ 19,223
Overlay Surplus.....	\$104,000
Total Available Funds.....	\$363,139

Leaving a net to be raised and assessed of... **\$17,695,677**

ARTICLE 10

HIGH SCHOOL/MIDDLE SCHOOL DEBT SERVICE

On motion made by Ms. Dianne Ross, duly seconded, it was

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED TO:

Raise and appropriate the sum of **\$2,517,428** for FY'08 debt service payments related to the construction and furnishing of the new Middle School and High School including, without limitation, moving expenses and expenses necessary to secure the former Whipple Middle School.

ARTICLE 11

SCHOOL BUDGET AMENDMENT

On motion made by Mr. Jeffrey Leob, duly seconded, it was

VOTED (50 YES – 29 NO) TO:

Amend its action taken under Article 9 of the April 2, 2007, Annual Town Meeting, (the FY08 School Budget), by increasing the appropriation thereunder and by transferring the sum of **\$200,000** from free cash to the "Transportation account" account (S9-65-3309-6333) of the Ipswich Public Schools.

ARTICLE 12

WHITTIER REGIONAL VOCATIONAL TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL BUDGET

On motion made by Mr. Raymond Morley, duly seconded, it was

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED TO:

Raise and appropriate the sum of **\$539,935** for the Town's share of the FY'08 annual operating, capital and debt service expenses of the Whittier Regional Vocational Technical High School District.

On motion made by Ms. Elizabeth Kilcoyne, duly seconded, it was

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED TO:

- (1) Raise and appropriate the sum of **\$2,398,921** for the FY'08 operating, debt service, and capital expenses of the Water Division, Department of Utilities, said sum to be offset in part by the water surplus of **\$92,888**, the balance of said appropriation to be met by revenues of the Water Division during FY'08; and
- (2) Raise and appropriate the sum of **\$1,549,000** for the FY'08 operating, debt service, and capital expenses of the Wastewater Division, Department of Utilities, said sum to be offset in part by the Wastewater surplus of **\$94,669**, the balance of said appropriation to be met by revenues of the Wastewater Division during FY'08.

On motion made by Mr. Edward Rauscher, duly seconded, it was

VOTED BY 2/3 VOTE (25 YES – 1 NO) TO:

- (1) Appropriate the sum of **\$389,422** to purchase heavy equipment for the Department of Public Works and to fund replacement of the Town's I-Net (data network); and (2) to raise this appropriation by authorizing the treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, to issue bonds or serial notes under the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44, as amended.

On motion made by Mr. James Foley, duly seconded, it was

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED TO:

Appropriate the sum of **\$328,017** under the provisions of Chapter 90 of the General Laws to obtain any materiel, equipment and/or services incidental thereto; and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire easements in conjunction therewith by purchase, gift, lease, eminent domain or otherwise; and in furtherance of the project(s), to authorize the Board of Selectmen to apply for, accept, and expend any federal, state and/or private grants without further appropriation; and to meet this appropriation by transferring an equal sum from Chapter 90 available funds.

On motion made by Ms. Elizabeth Dorman, duly seconded, it was

VOTED (189 YES – 75 NO) TO:

Appropriate the sum of **\$28,098** to maintain the position of Youth Director for the Recreation

Department in order to continue offering current levels of indoor and outdoor programs for local children in need.

ARTICLE 17

HARBORMASTER BOAT PURCHASE

On motion made by Mr. James Foley, duly seconded, it was

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED TO:

- (1) Appropriate the sum of **\$73,500** to fund the purchase of a new Harbormaster's boat; and
- (2) Transfer the sum of **\$73,500** from the Waterways Improvement Fund to reimburse the General Fund for the cost of the new Harbormaster's boat.

ARTICLE 18

**REVOLVING FUNDS: COUNCIL ON AGING; HISTORICAL COMMISSION;
HEALTH DIVISION; SHELLFISH DEPARTMENT**

On motion made by Ms. Ingrid Miles, duly seconded, it was

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED TO:

Re-authorize for FY'08 the following revolving funds established under Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44, Section 53E ½:

- (1) A **Council on Aging Revolving Fund**, to be funded through activity fees. The COA Fund may be used to pay for special activities, expendable supplies and/or part-time wages. No more than **\$100,000** may be expended by the Council on Aging from monies transferred into said fund during FY'08; and
- (2) An **Historical Commission Revolving Fund**, to pay for preservation of Town records and the purchase of expendable supplies. No more than **\$5,000** may be expended by the Historical Commission from monies transferred into said fund during FY'08. The source of funds shall be the sale of publications, such as replicas of the Declaration of Independence and other historical documents; and
- (3) A **Health Division Revolving Fund**, the use of said fund to finance additional part-time help in the Health Division and to pay related expenditures. No more than **\$7,000** may be expended by the Health Division in FY'07 from such excess funds transferred into said fund during FY'08. The source of funds shall be housing code inspection fees; and
- (4) A **Shellfish Department Revolving Fund**, to be funded through a surcharge of **\$50** on commercial shellfish licenses, the use of said fund to enhance the shellfish resources of the town under the guidance of the Shellfish Advisory Board and Town Manager. No more than **\$7,000** may be expended the Shellfish Department Revolving Fund during Fiscal 2008.

ARTICLE 19

COMMITTEE REPORTS

On motion made by Mr. James Foley, duly seconded, it was

VOTED BY A MAJORITY TO:

Accept the reports of, and continue the following committees as standing committees of the Town: the Hall-Haskell Committee; the Athletic Playing Fields Study Committee; the Cable TV Advisory Board; the Commuter Rail Committee; the Community Development Plan Implementation Task Force; the Coastal Pollution Control Committee; the Eight Towns and the Bay Committee; the Government Study Committee; the Ipswich Bay Circuit Trail Committee; the Mosquito Control Advisory Board; the Open Space & Recreation Committee; the Parking Committee; the Ad Hoc Committee examining the Feoffees of the Grammar School; the Ipswich Coalition for Youth; the Public Safety Facilities Study Committee; the Shade Tree and Beautification Committee; the Recreation Committee; the Sandy Point Advisory Committee; the Shellfish Advisory Board; the Wind Power Committee; the Waterways Advisory Board and the Recycling Committee.

ARTICLE 20

SPECIAL ACT: POLICE CHIEF CIVIL SERVICE

On motion made by Ms. Ingrid Miles, duly seconded, it was

VOTED BY A MAJORITY TO DEFEAT:

Authorizing the Board of Selectmen to request a special act of the legislature exempting the Town from Civil Service requirements in hiring a Police Chief subsequent to January 1, 2009.

ARTICLE 21

LIQUEURS AND CORDIALS

On motion made by Mr. James Foley, duly seconded, it was

VOTED BY A MAJORITY TO:

Accept the provisions of Section 2 of Chapter 481 of the Acts of 1993 to permit a common victualer who holds a license to sell liqueurs and cordials in accordance with the provisions of Massachusetts General Law Chapter 138, Section 12.

ARTICLE 22

HIGH STREET SEWER EXTENSION

On motion made by Mr. Daniel Clasby, duly seconded, it was

VOTED (64 YES - 138 NO) TO DEFEAT:

Indefinitely postponing this article.

AND

On motion made by Ms. Elizabeth Kilcoyne, duly seconded, it was

VOTED BY 2/3 VOTE (158 YES – 60 NO) TO:

Approve a sewer extension greater than 500 feet from 201 to 247 High Street consistent with the provisions of town bylaws; and to appropriate **\$710,000** to survey design and prepare bid documents for and to construct a sanitary sewer extension in the area from 201 to 247 High Street; and to determine that this project shall be subject to betterment assessment at a rate sufficient to recover 100% of said project costs, and the method of calculation shall be by dwelling unit, and to raise this appropriation by authorizing the treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, to issue bonds or serial notes under the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44, as amended.

ARTICLE 23 **ELECTRIC DEPARTMENT SUB STATION PROJECT**

On motion made by Mr. Edward Rauscher, duly seconded, it was

VOTED BY 2/3 VOTE (55 YES – 15 NO) TO:

Appropriate **\$7 million** to survey, design and undertake construction of a new sub station and associated distribution equipment at the Vermette Court Sub Station on property owned by the Electric Department, and to meet such appropriation, by authorizing the Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, to borrow said sum in accordance with Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44 or any other enabling authority.

ARTICLE 24 **WATER PROJECT BOND**

On motion made by Mr. James Foley, duly seconded, it was

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED TO:

INDEFINITELY POSTPONE appropriating **\$1.3 million** to survey, design, and construct improvements to the Town's water distribution system by extending the water main north on Route 1; and to raise this appropriation by authorizing the treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, to issue bonds or serial notes under the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44, as amended.

ARTICLE 25 **ESTABLISHMENT OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING TRUST FUND**

On motion made by Ms. Elizabeth Kilcoyne, duly seconded, it was

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED TO:

To see if the Town will vote: to accept the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44, Section 55C, establishing a trust to be known as the Ipswich Affordable Housing Trust Fund whose purpose shall be to provide for the creation and preservation of affordable housing in the Town for the benefit of low and moderate income households, and in implementation thereof will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to execute a Declaration of Trust and Certificate of Trust for the Ipswich Affordable Housing Trust Fund; and to amend Chapter X of the General Bylaws of the Town as follows:

1) Amend "Section 1. Custody of Funds and Securities" by adding, after the words "Park Commissioners", the following: ", the Affordable Housing Trust Fund trustees,";

2) Rename the paragraphs entitled "Section 1. Custody of Funds and Securities", "Section 2. Investments and Expenditures of Trust Funds" and "Section 3. Annual Reports", to "(a)", "(b)", and "(c)", and place all three paragraphs under a new heading, "Section Two. Other Trust Funds";

3) Add "Section 1. Affordable Housing Trust Fund", to read as follows:

"Section 2. Affordable Housing Trust Fund

a) There shall be a Board of Trustees of the Ipswich Affordable Housing Trust Fund established by the vote under Article 26 of the Warrant for the 2007 Annual Town Meeting, in this section called "the board", which shall include five (5) trustees. The trustees shall be appointed by the Board of Selectmen, after consultation with the Ipswich Housing Partnership. The board shall consist of one member of the Board of Selectmen, at least two members of the Ipswich Housing Partnership, if in existence at the time of appointment, the Town Manager or his designee, and two other members appointed by the Board of Selectmen. Trustees shall serve for a term of two years to be appointed for staggered terms.

b) The powers of the board, all of which shall be carried on in furtherance of the purposes set forth in Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44 Section 55C, shall include the following:

(1) to accept and receive property, whether real or personal, by gift, grant, devise, or transfer from any person, firm, corporation or other public or private entity, including without limitation grants of funds or other property tendered to the trust in connection with provisions of any zoning ordinance or by-law or any other ordinance or by-law;

(2) to purchase and retain real or personal property, including, without restriction, investments that yield a high rate of income or no income;

(3) to sell, lease, exchange, transfer or convey any personal, mixed, or real property at public auction or by private contract for such consideration and on such terms as to credit or otherwise, and to make such contracts and enter into such undertaking relative to trust property as the board deems advisable notwithstanding the length of any such lease or contract;

(4) to execute, acknowledge and deliver deeds, assignments, transfers, pledges, leases, covenants, contracts, promissory notes, releases and other instruments sealed or unsealed, necessary, proper or incident to any transaction in which the board engages for the accomplishment of the purposes of the trust;

(5) to employ advisors and agents, such as accountants, planners, appraisers and lawyers as the board deems necessary;

(6) to pay reasonable compensation and expenses to all advisors and agents and to apportion such compensation between income and principal as the board deems advisable;

(7) to apportion receipts and charges between incomes and principal as the board deems advisable, to amortize premiums and establish sinking funds for such purpose, and to create reserves for depreciation depletion or otherwise;

(8) to participate in any reorganization, recapitalization, merger or similar transactions; and to give proxies or powers of attorney with or without power of substitution to vote any securities or certificates of interest; and to consent to any contract, lease, mortgage, purchase or sale of property, by or between any corporation and any other corporation or person;

(9) to deposit any security with any protective reorganization committee, and to delegate to such committee such powers and authority with relation thereto as the board may deem proper and to pay, out of trust property, such portion of expenses and compensation of such committee as the board may deem necessary and appropriate;

(10) to carry property for accounting purposes other than acquisition date values;

(11) to borrow money on such terms and conditions and from such sources as the board deems advisable, to mortgage and pledge trust assets as collateral;

(12) to make distributions or divisions of principal in kind;

(13) to comprise, attribute, defend, enforce, release, settle or otherwise adjust claims in favor or against the trust, including claims for taxes, and to accept any property, either in total or partial satisfaction of any indebtedness or other obligation, and subject to the provisions of this act, to continue to hold the same for such period of time as the board may deem appropriate;

(14) to manage or improve real property; and to abandon any property which the board determined not to be worth retaining;

(15) to hold all or part of the trust property uninvested for such purposes and for such time as the board may deem appropriate; and

(16) to extend the time for payment of any obligation to the trust.”;

ARTICLE 26 **COMBINING AFFORDABLE HOUSING TRUST FUNDS**

On motion made by Ms. Elizabeth Kilcoyne, duly seconded, it was

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED TO:

Authorize the Board of Selectmen to petition the General Court for special legislation, as set forth in Article 26, relating to transferring the funds and other property held by the Ipswich Affordable Housing Trust Fund, established by special act in 2004, to the new Trust Fund established by vote of Town Meeting under Article 25 of this warrant.

ARTICLE 27 **RIVERWALK BONDS**

On motion made by Ms. Ingrid Miles, duly seconded, it was

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED TO:

INDEFINITELY POSTPONE that the Town vote to amend its actions taken under Article 24 of the Warrant for the April 7, 2003, Annual Town Meeting ("Riverwalk Bonds") and Article 22 of

the Warrant for the April 5, 2004, Annual Town Meeting (Riverwalk Supplemental Funding) by changing the purpose for which the bonds were to be expended from: "...survey, design, and construct a pedestrian bridge across the Ipswich River, to be located in the area of South Main Street and Union Street, and to obtain any materiel and/or services incidental thereto", to: "...survey, design, and construct a pedestrian bridge across the Ipswich River, to be located in the area of South Main Street and Union Street, and to obtain any materiel and/or services incidental thereto, and further in conjunction with said project, to survey, design, and construct improvements such as crosswalks, landscaping, sidewalks, foot paths, and parking, in the general vicinity of the Riverwalk entrance on South Main Street, and to obtain any materiel and/or services incidental thereto.

ARTICLE 28

DRAINAGE EASEMENT OVER TOWN LAND

On motion made by Mr. Patrick McNally, duly seconded, it was

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED TO:

Authorize the Board of Selectmen to petition the Massachusetts General Court to authorize the Conservation Commission to grant a drainage easement over land owned by the Town at Hood Farm Road, as shown on a plan entitled "Definitive Subdivision Plan of Land, Open Space Preservation (Cluster) for Winchester Commons", prepared by Meridian Engineering, Inc., dated November 17, 2000, revised January 9, and February 9, 2001.

ARTICLE 29

RECONSIDERATION

On motion made by Mr. Patrick McNally, duly seconded, it was

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED TO:

Reconsider Article 7, the Municipal Operating Budget for Fiscal Year '08 **AND** to Reconsider Article 5, FY'07 Town Budget Amendments.

On motion made and duly seconded, the meeting was adjourned at 1:25 a.m. on April 3, 2007.

Respectfully submitted,

Pamela Z. Carakatsane, CMC
Town Clerk