

## MINUTES OF TOWN MEETING - MARCH 8, 1983

**ARTICLE 1** - The Annual Town Meeting was called to order at 10 A.M. by the Moderator, Richard L. Russman, for the Ballotting for Town Officers, Sanborn Regional School District Officers, as well as balloting on Article 4. It was voted to adjourn the meeting after the close of the counting of ballots, until March 9th at 7 P.M. at the Swasey Gymnasium.

The Town Clerk, Bettie C. Ouellette, broke the seal on all boxes of ballots, and the Moderator inspected the Voting Booths and the Ballot Boxes. The Moderator also announced that the absentee ballots would be processed at 3 P.M. The Assistant Moderator was Leonard F. Sanborn. Ballot Clerks were Miss Holly Ouellette, Mrs. Rochelle Ingersoll, Mrs. Carolyn R. Christie, Mrs. Brenda J. Samoisette and Mrs. Phyllis C. Gallagher. Peter P. Basler was the Police Officer. Extra counters at night were Mrs. Judith C. Smith, Mrs. Jean M. Spinella, Mrs. Margaret E. Wentzell, Mrs. Marilyn B. Bartlett, Mrs. Gloria F. Bogannam and David G. Conant. Selectmen were Ralph E. Southwick, Michael R. Priore and John J. Reinfuss.

The following results of the balloting were announced by the Moderator. Total votes cast 1177, including 89 absentees. Total on check list 2224.

### Selectman for Three Years

Henry R. J. Chabot	53
Bernard E. Robie	600*
Robert W. Whitney	110
Peter E. Wilson	400

### Treasurer for One Year

Olive Moriarty	1009*
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### Road Agent for One Year

Lawrence S. Neil	373
Michael D. Smith	750*

### Chief of Police for One Year

Neil R. Parker	933*
Donald W. Briggs, Jr.	144

write-ins

### Police Officers for One Year

Donald W. Briggs, Jr.	1044*
Glenn P. Miller	965*

Constable for One Year	Norman M. Bower	880*
	Curtis A. Cleary	217
Auditors for One Year	Roberta J. Mantone	854*
	Gertrude W. Semple	991*
Trustee of Trust Funds for Three Years	Mary V. Kanaly	930*
	Roger E. Nason, Sr.	949*
Fireward for Three Years	Earl S. Carter	633*
	Billy L. Gates	474
Library Trustee for Three Years	Marion L. Clark	964*
	Brenda T. Gould	936*
Library Trustee for Two Years	Bernard C. Seiler	626*
	Hope E. Wetzel	379

\*Elected

All elected officials took the oath of office.

## Results of Zoning & Building Question

**ARTICLE 4** - Are you in favor of the adoption of the following amendment to the Zoning and Building Code of the Town of Kingston, N.H., as proposed by the Planning Board?

(1) Amend Article IV by making the following editorial numbering change:

Renumber the Wetlands Conservation District section (currently reading 4.60 - 4.68) by changing the numbers to 4.70 - 4.78.

(2) Amend Article III, Section 3.10 by making the following editorial numbering changes:

5. Housing for Elderly District

6. Wetlands Conservation District

YES 762

NO 270

**SANBORN REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
OFFICIALS**

School Board Member from Kingston - Term Ending 1986  
Electra L. Alessio 737\*  
Moderator - Term Ending 1984  
Richard L. Russman 1022\*  
\*Elected

All elected officials took the oath of office.

The ballots were wrapped, sealed and locked in the vault  
at 10:30 P.M., March 8, 1983.

(signed)  
Bettie C. Ouellette  
Kingston Town Clerk

**MINUTES OF CONTINUED TOWN MEETING AT  
SWASEY GYMNASIUM, MARCH 9, 1983**

Meeting was called to order at 7 P.M. by the Moderator, Richard L. Russman. Prayer was offered by the Rev. Wendell J. Irvine, First Congregational Church. The Moderator introduced the Selectmen: Michael R. Priore, Ralph E. Southwick and John J. Reinfuss, and the Town Clerk, Bettie C. Ouellette. He also welcomed the new voters. He announced the following people appointed to the Finance Committee: Harry Carr, Phyllis Gallagher, Norma Quintal and Dale Winslow. He also thanked Charles Hannagan, Linda Nadeau, Ernestine Meyer and David Welch for serving on the Committee. The Moderator then read the results of the balloting from yesterday.

**ARTICLE 2** - A motion was made and seconded to raise and appropriate \$853,486.74 and this was followed by an amendment made by Charles Hannagan, and seconded, to reduce the total figure by \$41,100.00. The items to be decreased were as follows:

Gen. Government Buildings	\$2,000.00
Planning & Zoning	1,000.00
Board of Adjustment	200.00 added
Highways - Town Maintenance	2,000.00
Highways - General Expenses	1,500.00
Patriotic Purposes	200.00 added
Capital Outlay - County Taxes	15,000.00
Misc. Gasoline - Town Vehicles	20,000.00

After much discussion the amendment was passed on a voice vote, and then the following was voted, as amended: To raise and appropriate the sum of \$812,386.74 to defray town charges for the ensuing year.

**ARTICLE 3** - It was voted to authorize the Selectmen and Town Treasurer to borrow such sums of money in anticipation of the collection of taxes for the current year and to issue in the name of the Town, negotiable notes, the aforesaid notes to be paid during the current year from taxes collected during the year. This was a voice vote.

**ARTICLE 4** - Voted by written ballot previous day.

**ARTICLE 5** - It was voted, by voice vote, to authorize the Tax Collector to allow a deduction of 1½% from Town Property Tax when payment is made within 30 days of billing.

**ARTICLE 6** - It was voted, by voice vote, to authorize the Board of Selectmen to apply for, accept and expend, without further action by Town Meeting, money from the state, federal or other governmental unit or a private source which becomes available during the fiscal year to be used only for legal purposes for which a town may appropriate money. The Selectmen shall hold a prior public hearing on the action to be taken and such action shall not require the expenditure of other town funds and shall be exempt from all provisions of RSA 32 relative to limitation and expenditure of monies.

**ARTICLE 7** - A motion was made and seconded to raise and appropriate the sum of \$8,807.36 as a 6% cost of living increase for all employees. An amendment was then made by George Schiller, Jr., as follows: In addition to see if the town

will vote to raise the sum of \$4,980.00 for the purpose of equity adjustments for Town Employees. Said adjustments will be enacted by the Selectmen no more than 45 days from this date retroactive to March 10, 1983. Adjustments will be governed by a majority vote of the active members of the Personnel committee appointed by the Selectmen and one Selectman. Before said body can vote on the adjustments a public hearing will be scheduled. After much discussion, the amendment was NOT passed on a voice vote after a motion "to move the question", made by James Aubry, was passed by voice vote. Then a new amendment was made by Harry Carr, as follows: to have a personnel committee with one Selectman as a voting member, study all salaries, fees and wages of ALL town employees, elected or otherwise, and promulgate a wage matrix. This study to commence on or before March 14 and to be complete and put in effect by May 15 retroactive to March 11, 1983, whereby no elected official will receive less than presently receiving. This amendment also was NOT passed on a voice vote, following a motion to "move the question", made by Ralph Southwick, being passed by a voice vote. After more discussion on the original motion, it was voted, by voice vote, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$8,807.36 as a 6% cost of living increase for all employees. This vote was taken after a motion by Steven Smith, "to move the question", was passed by voice vote.

**ARTICLE 8** - It was voted, by voice vote, to appropriate and authorize the withdrawal of the sum of \$3,900.00 from the Revenue Sharing Fund, established under the provisions of the State and Local Assistance Act of 1972. Said money to be used for the purchase of a high pressure washer, purchase and installation of three overhead fans with thermostats, and purchase and installation of lights for both inside walls of the Town garage. This vote was taken after a motion by David Conant, "to move the question", was passed by voice vote.

**ARTICLE 9** - It was voted, by voice vote, to appropriate and authorize the withdrawal of the sum of \$10,000.00 from the Revenue Sharing Fund, established under the provisions of the State and Local Assistance Act of 1972, for the purchase

of two computers and office equipment for the Town Offices, (Offices of Selectmen and Town Clerk/Tax Collector). This vote was taken after a motion by Lawrence Smith, Jr., "to move the question", was passed by voice vote.

**ARTICLE 10** - It was voted, by voice vote, to appropriate and authorize the withdrawal of the sum of \$5,000.00 from the Revenue Sharing Fund, established under the provisions of the State and Local Assistance Act of 1972, for the purpose of a new well and pump as required for the Town Hall.

**ARTICLE 11** - It was voted, by voice vote, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,950.00 to audit the Town and Revenue Sharing books as required by the Federal Government.

**ARTICLE 12** - It was voted, by a standing vote, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$11,500.00 for the improvement of the New Boston Road railroad crossing. The estimated cost of the project is \$115,705.00 with the said \$11,500.00 being raised by the Town of Kingston. YES 102 NO 70.

The Moderator allowed Mr. Thomas Trovato, Chief Engineer, Communications and Signals, Boston & Maine Corp., No. Billerica, Mass., to address the people, and he answered numerous questions about the project. Tellers were Larry Middlemiss, Bernard Robie, Sheila Whittier and Margaret Wentzel.

**ARTICLE 13** - It was voted, as amended, by voice vote, to raise and appropriate \$9,000.00 for the replacement of the 1981 cruiser, and \$1,000.00 must come from the Police Dept. Capital Reserve Fund. (Total of \$10,000.00) The amendment was made by Charles Hannagan and passed on a voice vote.

**ARTICLE 14** - It was voted, by voice vote, to raise and appropriate \$2,500.00 to put in two fire alarm systems and one intrusion system for the Police and Fire Departments' two buildings.

**ARTICLE 15** - This article relative to raising and appropriating \$2,000.00 for the purchase of a portable alarm system, to be used by the Police Dept. in any problem areas that arise, was NOT passed, by voice vote.

**ARTICLE 16** - It was voted, by voice vote, to authorize the Selectmen to apply for, receive and expend a sum of \$10,000.00 for radar patrol if available or awarded under the State of N.H. Highway Safety Program as 100% state funded.

**ARTICLE 17** - It was voted, by voice vote, to allow the Selectmen to place all monies received for the Police Dept. (accident reports, firearms, permits, fees and the sale of the old cruiser) into a Capital Reserve Fund for the future replacement of cruisers and radio equipment, RSA 265:19 (Supp) generally 35.

**ARTICLE 18** - It was voted, as amended, by voice vote, to authorize the Selectmen to withdraw the sum of \$2,060.00 from the Police Dept. Capital Reserve Fund established in 1979 for the purchase of a radar system on the state bid list to supplement the old radar now in use. The amendment was made by Charles Hannagan, to correct the poorly worded article. The vote was taken after a motion "to move the question", made by Steven Smith, was passed on a voice vote.

**ARTICLE 19** - It was voted, by voice vote, to table this article relative to a \$1,200.00 cost of living increase for the Chief of Police.

**ARTICLE 20** - It was voted, by voice vote, to table this article relative to a \$1,200.00 cost of living increase for the Deputy Chief of Police.

**ARTICLE 21** - It was voted, by voice vote, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$846.63 for Class IV and Class V Highways under the provisions of Town Road Aid. The State will contribute \$5,644.19.

**ARTICLE 22** - It was voted, by voice vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,998.80 for dues to Rockingham Planning Commission for services in regional planning and local technical assistance.

**ARTICLE 23** - It was voted, by voice vote, to raise and appropriate \$5,700.00 for the purpose of hiring a part-time secretary. This person would be responsible for filing reports, ambulance billing and record keeping for both the Police and Fire Departments within the safety complex. This would be based on a twenty-five hour work week. (During the discussion, it was noted that the salary would be \$5,200.00 and \$500.00 for benefits.)

**ARTICLE 24** - It was voted, by voice vote, to raise and appropriate \$20,000.00 to be added to the Capital Reserve Fund for the future replacement of fire apparatus.

At this time, a motion was made by Harry Carr, and NOT passed, to continue the meeting until 12:30 P.M.

Then a motion was made by Lawrence Smith, Jr., to adjourn the meeting until 7:00 P.M. on Thursday, March 17th, at the Swasey Gym. This was an affirmative voice vote and the meeting was adjourned at 10:30 P.M.

(signed)  
Bettie C. Ouellette  
Kingston Town Clerk

**MINUTES OF CONTINUED TOWN MEETING AT  
SWASEY GYMNASIUM, MARCH 17, 1983**

Meeting was called to order by the Moderator, Richard L. Russman, at 7 P.M. The new Selectman, Bernard E. Robie, was introduced.

**ARTICLE 25** - It was voted, by voice vote, to allow the Fire Wards to place unexpended funds from current year's appropriations in a Capital Reserve Fund for the future replacement of fire equipment as needed, RSA 35:1(B)(Supp) & 35:3(Supp) & 35:11 & Chapter 35 generally.

**ARTICLE 26** - It was voted, by voice vote, to allow the Fire Wards to place all monies received from the ambulance into a Capital Reserve Fund for the future replacement of the ambulance. RSA 35:1(B)(Supp) & 35:3(Supp) & 35:11 & Chapter 35 generally.

**ARTICLE 27** - It was voted, by voice vote, to allow the Board of Selectmen to auction to the highest bidder the 1962 International Ambulance as surplus equipment, with the revenue going into a Capital Reserve Fund for the future replacement of the 1980 ambulance. RSA 35:1(B)(Supp) & 35:3(Supp) & 35:11 & Chapter 35 generally.

**ARTICLE 28** - It was voted, by voice vote, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,304.00 to assist the Rockingham County Community Action Program, Inc.

**ARTICLE 29** - It was voted, by voice vote, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,497.00 to assist Rockingham Child & Family Services, a private, nonprofit organization.

**ARTICLE 30** - This article relative to raising and appropriating \$2,000.00 for the support of the Seacoast Regional Counseling Center, was NOT passed, by voice vote.

**ARTICLE 31** - It was voted, by voice vote, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,100.00 to support the services of the Newmarket Health Center, Inc.

**ARTICLE 32** - It was voted, by voice vote, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000.00 to be placed in a Capital Reserve Fund for the future purchase of land and construction of a community recreational center.

**ARTICLE 33** - It was voted, by voice vote, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,000.00 to purchase and install a new curtain and valance with border line curtains for the stage at Town Hall. Said curtains to meet all fire and safety codes.

**ARTICLE 34** - This article was passed over as it was similar to Article 33.

**ARTICLE 35** - This article was NOT passed, by voice vote. This dealt with an Ordinance to regulate parking and towing zones in Kingston.

**ARTICLE 36** - It was voted, by voice vote, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,000.00 to implement a mediation program within the jurisdictional area of the Plaistow District Court in order to offer a more economically feasible alternative to court ordered placement of juveniles.

**ARTICLE 37** - This article relative to an Ordinance to regulate health requirements for local restaurants was NOT passed, by voice vote.

**ARTICLE 38** - It was voted, as amended, by voice vote, to authorize the Selectmen to sell to the Public Service Co. of N.H., for the sum of \$1,500.00 with them paying all rights for conveying same, to construct, repair, rebuild, operate, patrol and remove overhead and underground lines consisting of wires, cables, ducts, manholes, poles and towers, together with foundations crossarms, braces, anchors, guys, grounds and other equipment for transmitting electric current and/or intelligence over, under and across a strip of land located in Kingston, in the County of Rockingham, in the State of N.H. described as follows: A certain strip of land 170 feet in width and approximately 160 feet in length located westerly of, but

not adjacent to Rowell Road, so-called, and bounded westerly by land now or formerly of Henry Goscinak and easterly by land now or formerly of State of N.H.

Together, with the right for said Public Service Co. of N.H. to keep clear said strip of all trees, by means other than chemicals and/or herbicides, and to prohibit the erection of structures or obstructions within the limits of said strip.

Being a portion of premises conveyed to the Town of Kingston by Collector of Taxes by deed dated July 23, 1979 and recorded in the Rockingham County Registry of Deeds, Book 2243, page 1797. This article was amended twice by Charles Hannagan and both amendments which were passed by voice votes, are incorporated in the above wording.

**ARTICLE 39** - This article was NOT passed by voice vote. This dealt with changing the hours of polling. The vote was taken after a motion by Ralph Southwick "to move the question", was passed, by voice vote.

**ARTICLE 40** - It was voted, by voice vote, to accept from Norman Griffin, 3 Madison Ave., Rochester, N.H., the gift of a piece of land at 29 New Boston Road, Kingston, Tax Map R18-37, containing .6 acres more or less. The town will bear the expense of transferring and recording such transaction.

**ARTICLE 41** - This article relative to conveying a certain tract of land in So. Kingston to Amelia Rudis, was NOT passed, by voice vote.

**ARTICLE 42** - This article relative to the Administrative Code, was passed over as the Selectmen had already adopted this Code before the Town Meeting.

**ARTICLE 43** - This article relative to the Personnel Plan, was passed over as the Selectmen had already adopted this Plan before Town Meeting.

**ARTICLE 44** - It was voted, by voice vote, as amended, to direct the Selectmen to post in a local newspaper and at least two public places, all proposed changes to either the Administrative Code or the Personnel Plan 30 days prior to enactment, and direct the Selectmen to give the Public an opportunity to comment on any such changes and respond to any tunity to comment on any such changes and respond to all public comments. In addition, it was voted to direct the Selectmen to adopt a grade and salary scale as part of the "Administrative Code" 45 days from the date of this meeting. The first amendment was made by Ronald Eskin and the second one by George Schiller, Jr. Both amendments were passed by voice vote. A previous amendment made by Schiller was defeated by voice vote.

**ARTICLE 45** - It was voted, by voice vote, as amended by Charles Hannagan, to authorize the Selectmen to sell tax deeded property at Public Auction, excepting that land providing access to public bodies of water.

**ARTICLE 46** - It was voted, by voice vote, to accept the Auditor's Report and Town Report as printed.

**ARTICLE 47** - This article relative to an "Emergency Management Ordinance" for Kingston was NOT passed by voice vote.

**ARTICLE 48** - This article relative to telling the Selectmen to write to the President of the U.S., as well as the Senators and Representative, regarding reducing the potential for nuclear war, was NOT passed, by voice vote. The vote was taken after a motion by Steven Smith "to move the question", was passed by voice vote.

**ARTICLE 49** - It was voted, as amended, by voice vote, to require that any emergency response plan for the Town of Kingston, N.H. in regards to the Seabrook Nuclear Project be approved by the town meeting as a condition for their acceptance by the town.

(1) The Selectmen will cause any evacuation or other emergency response plans for the Seabrook Nuclear Project which affect the town which are developed by or for the town, the State of N.H., or the Public Service Co. of N.H., to come before the Town Meeting for approval by a majority vote.

(2) No town official or agency shall promote the implementation of an emergency response plan for the Seabrook Nuclear Project which has not been approved by the Town Meeting.

The amendment which was made by Laurence Middlemiss is incorporated in the article as printed above. -

**ARTICLE 50** - It was voted, by voice vote, to go on record in support of immediate actions by the Federal Government to control and reduce acid rain which is harmful to the environment and economy of Kingston and to the health and welfare of the people of Kingston. These actions shall include: (1) Reduce by at least half the major cause of acid rain, sulfur dioxide emissions, by the year 1990. (2) Conclude negotiations and adopt a treaty with the government of Canada that will commit both nations to this same goal. (The record of the vote on this article shall be transmitted to the N.H. Congressional Delegation and to the President of the U.S.)

**ARTICLE 51** - It was voted, by voice vote, to appropriate and authorize the withdrawal of the sum of \$3,287.50 from the Revenue Sharing Fund, as established under the provisions of the State and Local Assistance Act of 1972, for the purchase of ten (10) Motorola Pocket Pagers, to be used by the Fire Department.

**ARTICLE 52** - This article relative to an Ordinance to make it unlawful to operate any unvented space heater, was NOT passed, by voice vote.

**ARTICLE 53** - A resolution was introduced by Harry Carr, and it was passed by voice vote. The resolution was as follows: That the Town Meeting be held on Saturday following the Tuesday Election at 10 A.M., to start with the Town Meeting of 1984. The vote was taken after a motion by Billy Gates "to move the question", was passed by voice vote.

Another resolution was introduced by Henry Chabot, but this one was NOT passed, by voice vote. It read as follows:

With the school taking the biggest percentage of our budget, and before the state takes over our school completely - also in other areas of N.H. - the following amendment is proposed - The Moderator is to select a panel of seven persons to form a committee to study the feasibility of getting our school back from district to a private school or system. To report to the citizens of the town in November, 1983 at a meeting and to activate any plans to be followed.

The vote was taken after a motion by Harry Carr "to move the question", was passed by voice vote.

David Mayhew made a motion "that the Town vote to direct the Representatives to the General Court to support Senate Bill #30 which is the Bottle Bill." The motion was seconded and much debate followed, whereupon a standing vote indicated 55 YES and 24 NO. The vote was taken after a motion by Mike Priore "to move the question", was passed by voice vote. Selectmen Priore and Robie assisted the Moderator in getting the count.

Selectman Michael Priore paid tribute to Ralph Southwick who served as Selectmen from 1967 to 1974, 1979, and 1980 to 1983. He also served as County Commissioner 1975 to 1978. Richard D. Senter was also recognized for his work on the Highway Department from 1975 to 1983. Both were given a round of applause.

The meeting adjourned at 9:45 P.M.

(signed)  
Bettie C. Ouellette  
Kingston Town Clerk