

**TOWN OF KINGSTON, N.H.**  
**TOWN MEETING MINUTES - MARCH 12, 1985**

**Article 1** - The Annual Town Meeting was called to order at 10 A.M. by the Moderator, George H. Harmon, for the balloting for Town Officers and the Officers of the Sanborn Regional School District. It was voted to adjourn the meeting, after the close of the counting of ballots, until 7:00 P.M. on Wednesday, to take up the remaining articles of the warrant; the continued meeting to be held at the Swasey Gymnasium.

The Town Clerk, Bettie C. Ouellette, broke the seals on the 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 and the Ballot Clerks were Holly Ouellette, Carolyn Christie, Rochelle Lafontaine, Esther Greenwood and Gail Wozniak. Norman Bower and Donald Briggs, Jr. were the police officers. The extra counters at night were Marilyn Bartlett, David Conant, Judy Smith, Phyllis Gallagher and Carol Howard. The Selectmen were John Reinfuss, Bernard Robie and Michael Priore.

The following results of the balloting were announced by the Moderator: Total Cast 1349, including 118 absentee ballots. Total on list 2580.

Selectman for 3 years:	John A. Berlandi	115
	Richard P. Day	604*
	William J. Poleatewich	74
	Peter E. Wilson, Sr.	509
Tax Collector for 3 years:	Bettie C. Ouellette	1258*
Treasurer for 1 year:	Olive Moriarty	1182*
Road Agent for One year:	Michael D. Smith	1149*
	Larry Neil (write-ins)	19
Chief of Police for 1 year:	John W. Flanders, Sr.	219
	Neil Parker	1111*
	Donald W. Briggs (write-ins)	4
	Norman Bower (write-ins)	3

Police Officers for 1 year:	Donald W. Briggs, Jr.	1192*
	Glenn P. Miller	1011*
Constable for 1 year:	Robert H. Wunderlich	1094*
Auditors for 1 year:	Roberta J. Mantone	990*
	Gertrude W. Semple	1108*
Trustee of Trust Funds for 3 years:	Leonard F. Sanborn	1162*
Fireward for 3 years:	Donald W. Briggs, Sr.	673*
	James G. Prenaveau	626
Library Trustee for 3 years:	Ellen W. Jones	850*
	Anne D. Lumnah	651*
	Caleb W. Wolfe	474
Library Trustee for 2 years:	Carol J. Forsythe	1081*
Library Trustee for 1 year:	Dorothy M. Wagner	1068*

**Article 51:** Are you in favor of increasing the Board of Selectmen to 5 members?

YES: 556      NO: 720

\*Elected

All elected officers took the oath of office.

**SANBORN REGIONAL SCHOOL  
DISTRICT OFFICERS**

1349 Votes cast, including 118 absentees  
School Board Member from Kingston - Term Ending 1988:

David G. Conant 1130\*

Buckley (write-ins) 4

Donald Day (write-ins) 5

Moderator - Term Ending 1986:

Richard L. Russman 1158\*

George Harmon (write-ins) 10

The ballots were wrapped, sealed and locked in the vault  
at the Town Hall at 12:05 A.M., March 13, 1985.

(signed) Bettie C. Ouellette  
Kingston Town Clerk

**MINUTES OF CONTINUED TOWN MEETING  
AT SWASEY GYMNASIUM  
March 13, 1985**

Meeting was called to order at 7 P.M. by George H. Harmon, Moderator. Prayer was offered by Rev. Wendell J. Irvine, First Congregational Church. The Moderator introduced the Selectmen: John J. Reinfuss, Bernard E. Robie, and Michael R. Priore, as well as the Town Clerk, Bettie C. Ouellette. He also introduced the Parliamentarian, Leonard F. Sanborn. He welcomed everyone to the meeting, and asked Richard L. Russman to come forward. He thanked Mr. Russman for serving as Town Moderator since 1968. The Moderator also announced there was an additional Article, #54A, added to the original Warrant.

The Moderator announced that he had appointed Marilyn Bartlett to the Finance Committee, whereupon a Point of Order was raised by Selectman John Reinfuss who advised the Moderator that he is not empowered to make any appointments according to RSA 40:4. This Law has been in effect since 1970. The Moderator pointed out that these appointments have been made for 15 years since 1970. Carroll Wright read from the 3/8/32 annual report which authorized the Moderator to appoint a Finance Committee. "Said committee to cooperate with the Selectmen in any way they may determine, but more especially in the preparation of a budget for the approval of the voters at the annual Town Meeting. This committee to be made up of 13 members, five to be appointed at each annual town meeting." Richard Russman said that with the Grandfather Clause, it indicates that the Moderator DOES have the power to appoint committees. Harry Carr said that the voters had spoken 50 years ago. This was followed by a motion by Russman that the Town vote to authorize the Moderator to continue to make appointments to the Finance Committee. This was voted in the affirmative.

Then the Moderator proceeded to appoint the following to the Finance Committee: Marilyn Bartlett, Natalie Davis, Vincent Palumbo and Lawrence Stevens. Later on the Moderator thanked Electra Alessio, Thomas Dangremond, Donald Eadie and George Schiller, Jr. for serving their terms on the Finance Committee.

The Moderator announced that a statement had been taken yesterday relative to Article 46 regarding the voting procedure. The Moderator then read the results of the balloting which was held yesterday.

**Article 2** - A motion was made and seconded to raise and appropriate \$980,257.03. Numerous people addressed the items in question and after a lengthy debate, the amendment was passed on a voice vote. This was after a motion "to move the question" was made by Harry Carr. Then upon returning to the main motion, as amended, the total of \$949,357.03 was passed on a voice vote. The following deductions were made in this \$30,900. figure:

Town Officers' Salary	-1500.00
Legal Expenses	-10000.00
Police Department	-700.00
Building Inspection	-1000.00
Town Maintenance (Highways)	-5000.00
Health Department	-1000.00
Animal Control	-600.00
General Assistance (Welfare)	-5000.00
Library	+850.00
Recreation Commission	-1250.00
FICA/Retirement/Pension	-5000.00
Insurance	-700.00
<b>Total Reduction</b>	<b>30900.00</b>

**Article 3** - It was voted, by voice vote, 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.

**Article 4** - It was voted, by voice vote, to authorize the Tax Collector to allow a deduction of 1 1/2% from Town Property Tax when payment is made within 30 days of billing. During the discussion, Henry Chabot wanted to have this made a part of the Town Report so it won't have to be voted on every year, but it was pointed out that this is not possible and it must be a vote every year. Also, an amendment, made by David Welch, "to authorize the Town Treasurer to pay to the Board of

Selectmen 10 cents per Resident Tax collected" was withdrawn after the Moderator ruled that this was not a valid amendment because it had not been properly advertised in the original warrant.

**Article 5** - It was voted, by voice vote, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,000.00 for the purpose of revaluation of the Town. After Article 6 was discussed, it was voted to reconsider ARTICLE 5, and David Conant made the following amendment: "to be placed in a Capital Reserve Fund." This was seconded and voted in the affirmative.

**Article 6** - This article relative to the withdrawal of \$4,400.00 from the Revenue Sharing Fund for the purchase of a garden tractor with attachments for the maintenance of Town property, was NOT passed. When the voice vote was uncertain, the Moderator appointed the following tellers to count a standing vote: Vincent Palumbo, Carolyn Harlow, Laurence Middlemiss and Alfred Alberts. It was an obvious defeat from an "eye vote". The vote was taken after a motion "to move the question", made by William Pellerin, was passed on a voice vote.

**Article 7** - It was voted, as amended, by voice vote, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$6,600.00 for the purchase of a tract of land, situated on the westerly side of Route 125 as shown on the Town of Kingston Tax Map R34 as Parcel No. 68 owned by the State of N.H. and abutted on the north by land of Alfred J. & Amy L. Alberts; on the west by land of Alfred J. & Amy L. Alberts and Stanley & Myra J. Shalett; on the south by land of Sanborn Regional School District (D. J. Bakie Elementary School). (The amendment which was voted, deleted the last sentence of the article which read "This land to be set aside for the future construction of a recreation building.")

**Article 8** - This article relative to raising and appropriating \$5,000.00 to meet requirements mandated by the State of N.H. in order that Greenwood Beach remain open to the residents of Kingston, was NOT passed by voice vote.

**Article 9** - It was voted, on a standing vote, to appropriate and authorize the withdrawal of \$3,000.00 from the Revenue Sharing Fund, established under the State and Local Assistance Act of 1972, for the purchase of a new copy machine for the office of the Selectmen. The vote was taken after a motion "to move the question", made by Harry Carr, was passed.

**Article 10** - It was voted, by voice vote, to appropriate and authorize the withdrawal of the sum of \$400.00 from the Revenue Sharing Fund, established under the provisions of the State and Local Assistance Act of 1972, for the purchase of two (2) file cabinets for the office of the Town Clerk/Tax Collector.

**Article 11** - It was voted, by voice vote, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$8,921.69. \$6,372.64 as a 5% cost-of-living increase for all full-time employees with \$2,549.05 to be set aside for merit increases deemed appropriate by the Board of Selectmen upon supervisory recommendation. (It was noted that there are 9 full-time employees.)

**Article 12** - It was voted, by voice vote, to appropriate and authorize the withdrawal of the sum of \$9,600.00 from the Revenue Sharing Fund, established under the provisions of the State and Local Assistance Act of 1972, for the purchase and installation of security and fire alarm system for the Town Hall and Historical Museum Building.

**Article 13** - It was voted, as amended, by voice vote, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$30,000.00 for the purpose of conducting a hydrogeological study and closure plan for the Kingston Landfill as mandated by State regulations, "and that revenues derived from other Towns in regards to this specific hydrogeological study be placed in a Capital Reserve Fund for the future study or closure of the dump." (This amendment (in quotes) was made by John Reinfuss.)

**Article 14** - 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 Engine No. 2, 1968 Chevrolet. (The following amendment was made by Carol Forsythe and NOT passed, by voice vote, "to substitute Fire Apparatus for 1968 Chevrolet".)

**Article 15** - This article was passed over, by voice vote, until Article 19 was acted upon.

**Article 16** - It was voted, by voice vote, to withdraw from the General Funds all monies received from the use of the ambulance for the year 1984 and place all monies from the use of 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 17** - It was voted, by voice vote, to appropriate and authorize the the withdrawal of \$2,000.00 from the Revenue Sharing Fund, established under the provisions of the State and Local Assistance Act of 1972, for the pruchase of six Motorola Monitor Pagers for the Fire Department.

**Article 18** - It was voted, by voice vote, to appropriate and authorize the withdrawal of the sum of \$829.25 from the Revenue Sharing Fund, established under the provisions of the State and Local Assistance Act of 1972, for the pruchase of one Motorola Portable Radio for the Fire Department.

**Article 19** - It was voted, by voice vote, to raise and appropriate \$3,712.50 for the purpose of establishing the position of part-time secretary for the Fire Department at 15 hours per week for 50 weeks at wage matrix level Class IX. (Now returned to Article 15 to act upon that.)

**Article 15** - It was voted, by voice vote, to appropriate and authorize the withdrawal of \$1,200.00 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 one desk, one chair and one typewriter for the Fire Department.

**Article 20** - It was voted, by voice vote, to accept RSA Chapter 154 in its entirety, per the Fire Dept. petition.

**Article 21** - It was voted, by voice vote, to pass over this article which dealt with accepting the attached by-laws of the Kingston Fire Department. (After the vote was taken the Moderator allowed several speakers to try to explain the reason for this action.)

**Article 22** - It was voted, by voice vote, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$30,000.00 for the purchase of a new GMC or Chevrolet dump truck to replace the 1974 model, currently in use, which is to be used in trade.

**Article 23** - This article relative to raising and appropriating \$11,356.80 per year to authorize one additional full-time laborer for the highway department, funded for seven months at a cost of \$8,421.50 including benefits, was NOT passed, by voice vote.

**Article 24** - It was voted, by voice vote, to raise and appropriate \$1,700.00 for the Police Department to purchase one eight-channel radio to replace our current radio, which is 17 years old. This radio to be purchased at state bid price.

**Article 25** - It was voted, by voice vote, to raise and appropriate \$825.00 to purchase a new electronic typewriter by sealed bid for the Police Department.

**Article 26** - It was voted, as amended, to raise and appropriate \$7,737.13 for the purchase of a 1985 Ford Crown Victoria 'S' four door sedan, with electronic siren and a new cage, Police Cruiser at state bid price. Old cruiser to be sold at public auction to defray cost of new cruiser.

**Article 27** - 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 28** - It was voted, by voice vote, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$800.00 for a 20,000 BTU air conditioner to replace the old one at the Police Station.

**Article 29** - It was voted, by voice vote, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$400.00 to purchase an in-line watt-meter for testing radios being set up or tuned up for all Fire Dept., Highway Dept. and Police Dept. radios.

**Article 30** - It was voted, by voice vote, to authorize the Selectmen to withdraw \$5,000.00 from the Capital Reserve Fund for the purpose of buying a new cruiser (1985) at state bid price, the balance to be raised in Article 26. Also see an addition to this article AFTER Article 31 was taken up.

**Article 31** - It was voted, on a standing vote of 78 to 49, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 to hire an engineering firm to plan and engineer a safety complex building for the Police Department adjacent to the Fire House and to propose an estimated price for construction.

At this time Leonard Sanborn made a motion to reconsider Article 30. This was passed and then the following was passed by a voice vote. "To withdraw the \$5,000.00, plus the accumulated interest, from the Capital Reserve Fund."

**Article 32** - It was voted on a standing vote of 77 to 57, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$15,000.00 to be placed in a Capital Reserve Fund for the future building of Police Station. The vote was taken after a motion made by Norman Bower "to move the question" was passed.

**Article 33** - This article was temporarily tabled until the proper wording could be established.

**Article 34** - It was voted, by voice vote, to raise and appropriate \$3,217.50 for the purpose of establishing the position of part-time Secretary for the Police Department at 25 hours per week.

At this point, Constance Archambault made a motion to adjourn the meeting until Friday Night at 7 P.M., whereupon Neil Parker made an amendment to take up Article 33 before adjourning. Then Harry Carr made another amendment to

change the time to 10 A.M. Saturday morning. This was not seconded. The Moderator announced that he could not be present on Friday night, and Richard Russman made a new amendment to adjourn until Wednesday night, March 20, at 7 P.M. This amendment was passed on a standing vote of 74 to 41. However, upon returning to the main motion, it was defeated on a standing vote of 56 to 70, and the meeting continued, returning to take up Article 33.

**Article 33** - It was voted, by voice vote, to remove this Article from the table. It was then voted, by voice vote, to authorize an additional full-time position in the Police Department call "police officer". Said position will be a grade XIV on the wage schedule, and to raise and appropriate for the current year \$9,311.18 for salary, retirement and medical benefits for 28 weeks.

**Article 35** - A motion was made and seconded to appropriate and authorize the withdrawal of the sum of \$8,000.00 from the Revenue Sharing Fund, established under the State and Local Assistance Act of 1972, for the purchase of a chair lift to be installed in the Town Hall. Then an amendment was made by John Reinfuss, Selectman - "to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$12,000.00 and to appropriate and authorize the withdrawal of the sum of \$12,000.00 from the Revenue Sharing Fund, established under the provisions of the State and Local Assistance Act of 1972, for the purchase of a chair lift to be installed in the Town Hall. Total cost of this project not to exceed \$24,000.00." The amendment was NOT passed on a voice vote, after it was voted "to move the question". Then upon returning to the main motion, that also was NOT passed on a voice vote.

At this point, David Conant, a member of the Sanborn Regional School Board, reported to the Moderator that on either Saturday or Wednesday the Gymnasium would be available for the continued Town Meeting.

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn to 1 P.M. on Saturday, followed by an amendment to adjourn to 7 P.M. on Wednesday night, the 20th. The amendment was passed on a voice vote and then the main motion, as amended, was passed on a voice vote. The meeting adjourned at 11 P.M. to March 20, 1985.

(signed) Bettie C. Ouellette  
Kingston Town Clerk

## MINUTES OF CONTINUED TOWN MEETING MARCH 20, 1985

The meeting was called to order at the Swasey Gymnasium at 7 P.M. by the Moderator, George H. Harmon. The Moderator again introduced the Selectmen, Town Clerk and the Parliamentarian.

**Article 36** - It was voted, by voice vote, to add to the General Reserve Fund, established in 1984, for cemetery maintenance the sum of \$600.00 being the amount received in 1984 for the sale of cemetery lots.

**Article 37** - It was voted, by voice vote, to table this motion relative to establishing a Cemetery Committee to be responsible for the care and maintenance of cemeteries and cemetery equipment.

**Article 38** - It was voted, by voice vote, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000.00 for the support of the Seacoast Regional Mental Health Center, Inc., these funds requested to be used to provide services to residents of the Town of Kingston whether or not said residents are able to pay.

**Article 39** - It was voted, by voice vote, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$6,000.00 for the support of the Family Mediation Program of So. Rockingham County.

**Article 40** - This article was passed over at the request of Neil Parker, petitioner.

**Article 41** - It was voted, by voice vote, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,628.00 to assist Rockingham County Community Action Program, Inc. These funds requested are to be used for current operating expenses to enable Rockingham County Community Action Program, Inc. to continue providing services to residents of Kingston at no cost to said residents.

**Article 42** - It was voted, by voice vote, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,220.70 for dues to Rockingham Planning commission for services in regional planning and local technical assistance.

**Article 43** - It was voted, by voice vote, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$6,357.00 for the support of the Exeter Area Visiting Nurse Association, Inc.

**Article 44** - It was voted, by voice vote, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,350.00 to support the services of the Newmarket Health Center, Inc., said funds to be used for providing transportation to the elderly and handicapped. The Center also provides primary health & social services, including the Health Center's Prenatal program.

**Article 45** - It was voted, by voice vote, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$929.00 to assist Rockingham Child & Family Services, a private non-profit organization.

**Article 46** - This article relative to allowing an industrial development to be located on 7 acres of land on Mill Road was NOT passed, by voice vote. (There was a long period of discussion on this article, and the vote was taken after a motion by Norman Bower "to move the question" was passed.)

**Article 47** - This article was withdrawn by the petitioner, Paul C. Nelson, Jr. The article dealt with placing \$5,000.00 into the Capital Reserve Fund for the purchase of a recreation building.

**Article 48** - It was voted, by voice vote, to adopt the following Ordinance:

ORDINANCE  
RELATIVE TO INTER-COMMUNITY  
POLICE ASSISTANCE

An Ordinance adopted pursuant to N.H. RSA 106-C:3 to promote the health, safety and welfare of the inhabitants of the Town of Kingston.

The Selectmen of the Town of Kingston hereby authorize pursuant to the provisions of N.H. RSA 106-C:3 the Chief of Kingston Police Department to extend assistance in time of emergency to any other municipality or the County of Rockingham subject to such restrictions and conditions as may be imposed by law.

It was voted, by voice vote, on a motion made by Harry Carr, to take up Article 50 before considering Article 49.

**Article 50** - A motion was made and seconded, to adopt the provisions of the Municipal Budget Law. This was followed by a long pro and con discussion. Then it was voted "to move the question", and the secret yes and no ballot was taken. The results were announced by the Moderator: YES 90 NO 50. Total of 142 names checked off on official check list. The Moderator was assisted by Holly Ouellette, Carolyn Harlow and Thomas Dangremond.

Then Harry Carr made a motion which was seconded, that the Moderator appoint the members of the Municipal Budget Committee. Then it was amended "to consist of 12 members". At this point, the Town Clerk read RSA 32:2 which states that a proper article must be in the warrant for said meeting in order to make this decision. After this, the Moderator ruled this motion and the amendment "out of order". Leonard Sanborn then made a motion that the provisions of the Municipal Budget Act become effective at the next annual meeting. This was NOT passed, by voice vote, and there was much confusion.

Dorothy Champion then made a motion to recall Article 49, and this was passed; so Carroll Wright proceeded to make an amended motion, as follows: "To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Moderator to appoint a committee to be known as the Budget Committee of the Town of Kingston. Said committee shall consist of 12 members-at-large appointed by the Moderator as provided for under the Municipal Budget Act." After a long discussion, the motion was passed, by voice vote. The vote was taken after a motion "to move the question" was passed.

**Article 51** - Voted on the written ballot on March 12th.

**Article 52** - A motion was made and seconded to pass over this article, but it was defeated on a standing vote of: YES 42 NO 60. Then the article was NOT passed on a voice vote. (This petition was to reduce the salary of each member of the Board of Selectmen to \$1,000.00.)

**Article 53** - It was voted, by voice vote, out of concern for the health and safety of its citizens, to instruct the Selectmen and other appropriate public officials to work cooperatively with the N.H. Civil Defense Agency and other involved State agencies to help improve the Town's Draft Emergency Response Plan which has been prepared in order to protect the public in the event of an accident at Seabrook Station or any emergency such as a major fire, flood, storm or toxic spill, and in so doing, to participate in the exercise conducted in cooperation with State and Federal Officials to test the Plan. This article is not intended to constitute final approval by the Town of the Draft Emergency Response Plan. This vote was taken after a motion made by Norman Bower "to move the question" was passed.

**Article 54** - It was voted by a standing vote (YES 72 NO 8) to raise and appropriate \$1,250.00 to assist Seacoast Hospice, a non-profit organization. A motion by Dr. Daniel Burbank "to move the question" was passed.

**Article 54A** - A motion was made by Phyllis Gallagher "to see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum, not to exceed \$9,000.00 for the purpose of construction and paving of additional parking facilities adjacent to the Nichols Memorial Library". The motion was seconded, and the article was NOT passed on a standing vote YES 49 NO 57.

**Article 55** - It was voted, by voice vote, to authorize the Selectmen to sell tax-deeded property at public auction.

**Article 56** - It was voted by a standing vote of YES 49 NO 39, to accept the Auditor's Report for the Town Report as printed.

**Article 57** - Jackie Russell questioned the Selectmen as to when the Hunt Road project would be started since she had been told that it would start two years ago. John Reinfuss reported that there are State Funds and Regular Funds available to do about one mile of the road and something will be done in the coming year.

Electra Alessio requested that Article 35 be reconsidered because the wording was confusing and she wanted to offer an amendment. It was then voted, by voice vote, to reconsider Article 35.

It was voted, by voice vote, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$12,000.00 and to appropriate and authorize the withdrawal of the sum of \$12,000.00 from the Revenue Sharing Fund, established under the provisions of the State and Local Assistance Act of 1972, for the purchase of a chair lift to be installed in the Town Hall. Total cost of this project not to exceed \$24,000.00. This vote was taken after it was voted "to move the question."

It was voted to adjourn at 10:08 P.M. Neil Parker, Chief of Police, introduced the Explorers who handled the microphones for the meeting - Tina Cappello and Lauren Voss. John Reinfuss was given a rising vote of thanks for his six years of service as a Selectman.

(signed) Bettie C. Ouellette  
Kingston Town Clerk



**BUDGET ADOPTED MARCH 20, 1985  
TOWN OF KINGSTON, N.H.**

**GENERAL GOVERNMENT:**

Town Officers' Salaries	\$ 29,500.00
Town Officers' Expenses	69,500.00
Election & Registration Expenses	2,000.00
Cemeteries	7,000
General Government Buildings	31,000.00
Planning & Zoning	5,290.00
Legal Expenses	40,000.00
Supervisors of Check List	350.00
Board of Adjustment	1,000.00
Historic District Commission	150.00

**PUBLIC SAFETY:**

Police Department	95,713.57
Fire Department	42,560.00
Civil Defense	1,500.00
Building Inspection	2,000.00
Forest Fires	1,500.00

**HIGHWAYS, STREETS & BRIDGES:**

Town Maintenance	75,000.00
General Highway Dept. Expenses	20,000.00
Street Lighting	11,500.00
Highway Block Grant Aid	54,704.46

**SANTITATION**

Solid Waste Disposal	67,914.00
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**HEALTH**

Health Department	1,500.00
Animal Control	1,700.00
Vital Statistics	100.00
Dog Damage	200.00

**WELFARE**

General Assistance	35,000.00
Old Age Assistance	1,500.00
Aid to the Disabled	3,500.00

**CULTURE & RECREATION**

Library	35,925.00
Parks & Recreation	1,000.00
Patriotic Purposes	600.00
Conservation Commission	950.00
Recreation Commission	10,400.00

**DEBT SERVICE**

Interest Expense - Tax Anticipation Notes	65,000.00
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**CAPITAL OUTLAY**

County Tax	160,000.00
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**MISCELLANEOUS**

FICA, Retirement & Pension Contributions	25,000.00
Insurance	39,300.00
Unemployment Compensation	2,000.00
Group Insurance	7,500.00

**TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS**

\$949,357.03

Bettie C. Ouellette  
Kingston Town Clerk

## RECOUNT

On March 14, 1985, the following letter, with the \$10.00 fee, was received by the Town Clerk:

"To: Town Clerk, Town of Kingston, N.H.

From: James G. Prenaveau

I do hereby apply in writing and within 3 days for a recount of the ballots cast for the office of Fire Ward on March 12, 1985.

Respectfully,  
(signed) James G. Prenaveau"

After receipt of this request, the following Order of Notice was issued by the Town Clerk:

"You are hereby notified in compliance with RSA Chapter 669:31 that there will be a recount of all ballots cast for Fire Ward in the Election of March 12, 1985, at seven o'clock in the evening (7:00 P.M.) on Thursday, March 21, 1985 at the Kingston Town Hall - upstairs.

(signed) Bettie C. Ouellette  
Kingston Town Clerk"

Copies were mailed to: James G. Prenaveau, Donald W. Briggs, Sr., George H. Harmon, John J. Reinfuss, Bernard E. Robie, Michael R. Priore and Richard P. Day.

## RESULTS OF RECOUNT

On March 21, 1985 at 7:00 o'clock in the evening, the Recount took place at the Town Hall - upstairs. The Recount Board consisted of the Moderator, George H. Harmon; Town Clerk, Bettie C. Ouellette and the three Selectmen, Bernard E. Robie, Michael R. Priore and Richard P. Day. Also present were James G. Prenaveau and Donald W. Briggs, Sr. Both Prenaveau and Briggs had an observer - David J. Matthews and AnnaBelle L. Briggs, respectively.

The ballots were brought from the Town Hall vault by the Town Clerk and they were carried by Police Officer Charles Hillner IV. The seal was broken and the Recount was started.

The following results were obtained:

Donald W. Briggs, Sr.	675*	+2
James G. Prenaveau	625	-1
Kermit the Frog	1	
Invalid	4	
Blanks	44	
Total votes cast	1349	

Therefore, the Moderator declared that Briggs was still the winner, and he was sworn into office. The session closed at 8:50 P.M., after which the ballots were sealed and signed by the Moderator, Selectmen and Town Clerk, and they were locked in the Town Hall vault by the Selectmen and the Town Clerk.

(signed) Bettie C. Ouellette  
Kingston Town Clerk

**MINUTES OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETING  
TOWN OF KINGSTON, N.H.  
September 24, 1985**

The meeting was called to order at 7 P.M. in the Town Hall by the Moderator, Harry J. Carr. He asked all unregistered voters to take a seat on the sidelines and refrain from voting. He introduced the Town Clerk, Bettie C. Ouellette, and the Selectmen - Bernard E. Robie, Chairman, Michael R. Priore, and Richard P. Day.

The Town Counsel, Attorney David C. Engel, was also seated at the table with the Board of Selectmen and the Moderator asked him to move and to take a seat on the sidelines. Attorney Engel said that it is up to the Selectmen as to where he sits and after two more attempts to have him move, the Moderator ordered the Chief of Police, Neil R. Parker, Sr., to remove Attorney Engel from the room. David Conant addressed the people stating that the Counsel for the School District is always present at all district meetings, but he sits in the front row. When a point of order was raised as to what makes the difference where the Attorney sits, a vote was taken by the Moderator and it was voted unanimously to have Attorney Engel remain at the meeting.

The Moderator then proceeded to read the Legislative approval to hold this Special Town Meeting.

ARTICLE 1 - Before the Moderator read the entire article from the Warrant, Donald Eadie had a point of information and proceeded to have Phyllis Buckley pass out copies which contained the original petition presented to the Board of Selectmen as well as the posted Warrant. (The first Article of the Warrant WAS NOT as posted.) Mr. Eadie proceeded to speak at length asking the Board of Selectmen why the articles were changed and also asked if the articles had been reviewed by Town Counsel. Selectmen answered "Yes". This all happened before any motion was made and seconded to be discussed. Finally, the Moderator asked for a motion on Article 1.

Then Phyllis Buckley made an amended motion, as follows: "To see if the Town will vote to adopt a Budget Committee which shall consist of 12 members-at-large, 1/3 of the members-at-large shall hold office 1 year, 1/3 for 2 years, and 1/3 for 3 years and each year thereafter 1/3 shall be elected or

appointed and qualified." The motion was seconded.

After a pro and con discussion, it was voted, by voice vote, to accept this amended motion, as printed in the previous paragraph.

ARTICLE 2 - A motion was made by James T. Rankin, Sr., and seconded, "that the members-at-large be elected annually at the Town Meeting."

Then after a further confusion regarding the passage of Article 1, Mr. Rankin withdrew his motion. Phyllis Buckley then made a motion to bring Article 1 back on the floor and Thomas Dangremond asked if Town Counsel would please help the people to understand what had happened to avoid further illegalities of the Budget Committee. Attorney Engel addressed the people, fully explaining that a motion had never been made to accept the original Article 1 as printed before the amended motion was made by Mrs. Buckley. Therefore, this matter could be challenged later.

Then Steven Smith made a motion to accept Article 1, as amended. "This was seconded and passed by voice vote."

ARTICLE 2 - A motion was made by James T. Rankin, Sr., "that the Budget Committee be elected annually at the Town Meeting and that a committee be appointed by the Moderator at this meeting."

Another confusion arose because the original article was not brought up first. Then Mr. Rankin withdrew his motion and Donald Eadie made the following motion: "That Article 2 be passed as printed." It was seconded and then Mr. Rankin made the following amendment: "That the Budget Committee be elected annually at the Town Meeting with the provision that the Moderator appoint the Budget committee until the next annual Town Meeting." This motion was seconded.

A second amendment was made by Herbert Noyes: "to choose to elect the members-at-large by official ballot at the next annual town election and authorize the Moderator to appoint an interim committee as per RSA 669:17."

It was seconded and this second amendment was passed by voice vote. Then the first amendment was passed by voice vote. Then upon returning to the vote on the original motion, as amended, Mr. Eadie wanted the discussion opened again as to whether the members should be elected or appointed. After much discussion, it was voted, by voice vote, to accept Article 2, as amended.

ARTICLE 3 - It was voted, by voice vote, on a motion by Steven Smith, to table Article 3.

The Moderator then recognized Senator William S. Bartlett, Jr., who explained that he felt that Article 1 should be reconsidered because there had never been a motion to accept the article as printed before Mrs. Buckley had made the amended motion. This confusion should be cleared up.

Donald Eadie made a motion "to reconsider Article 1 for the purpose of clarification." This was passed by voice vote, after it was voted "to move the question".

Next a motion was made by David Welch "to accept Article 1 as printed." This motion was seconded and then the following amendment was made by Phyllis Buckley: "To see if the Town will vote to adopt a Budget Committee which shall consist of 12 members-at-large, 1/3 of the members-at-large shall hold office for 1 year, 1/3 for 2 years, and 1/3 for 3 years and each year thereafter 1/3 shall be elected or appointed and qualified and for three year terms thereafter, with one member of the Board of Selectmen to be chosen by said board." This amendment was seconded.

Then the following amendment was made by Thomas Dangremond: "To delete the final portion of the first amendment, namely 'with one member of the Board of Selectmen to be chosen by said Board' ". This second amendment was seconded by voice vote.

Then the first amendment was passed by voice vote, and Article 1, as amended, was passed by voice vote.

To avoid further confusion later on, the final article as voted, was: "It was voted to adopt a Budget Committee which shall consist of 12 members-at-large, 1/3 of the members-at-large shall hold office for 1 year, 1/3 for 2 years and 1/3 for 3 years and each year thereafter 1/3 shall be elected or appointed and qualified and for three terms thereafter."

ARTICLE 4 - It was voted, by voice vote, to adjourn at 8:45 P.M.

Bettie C. Ouellette  
Kingston Town Clerk