



TOWN OF AVON
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
Tuesday, October 9, 2007
Avon Middle/High School

Moderator Frank Staffier called the meeting to order at 7:30 P.M. as posted. The meeting was recessed due to the lack of the required quorum of 75. The meeting reconvened at 7:45 when the required quorum was met. A total of 86 residents were checked in. Moderator Staffier announced that the meeting would be conducted according to by-law by the lottery system. Article 1 and Article 10 were exempt from this system. Francis Hegarty, Chairman of the Board of Selectmen introduced Michael McCue, the town's new Town Administrator to those in attendance. Senator Brian Joyce was in attendance and was also recognized. The assembly was led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Article 1: A motion was made and **VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE BY THE MAJORITY** to raise and appropriate, such amounts necessary to fund the following line items of the Town budget approved at the Annual Town Meeting of May 1, 2007:

Line #	Description	Current Appropriation	Additional	Total
101	Moderator expense	100	150	250
114	Selectmen expenses	11,007	3,493	14,500
119	Town Admin. expenses	3,672	328	4,000
151	Assessors expenses	15,670	3,900	19,570
161	Town Treasurer expenses	6,472	2,328	8,800
171	Tax Collector expenses	16,225	1,449	17,674
221	Town Clerk expenses	3,681	729	4,410
232	Election workers expense	3,397	603	4,000
240	Census expense	1,882	468	2,350
252	Conservation Comm. expense	1,085	706	1,791
262	Planning Board expenses	2,754	246	3,000
271	Board of Appeals expenses	918	82	1,000
301	Town Hall maintenance	44,693	10,968	55,661
335	Police Dept. expenses	96,390	25,210	121,600
354	Fire Dept. expenses	85,709	25,461	111,170
362	Building Inspector expense	3,672	1,528	5,200
372	Gas Inspector expense	500	100	600
382	Plumbing Inspector expense	500	100	600
392	Wire Inspector expense	918	200	1,118
411	Animal Control expenses	2,754	246	3,000
421	Tree Warden expense	6,426	574	7,000
431	Local Emergency Plan. exp.	3,672	328	4,000
461	Highway Salary	218,276	23,554	241,830
462	Highway expenses	79,950	2,810	82,760
504	Water expenses	197,414	60,429	257,843
523	Board of Health expenses	4,613	1,412	6,025
543	Council on Aging expenses	4,590	410	5,000
563	Library expenses	93,558	7,872	101,430
573	Park & Recreation expenses	22,766	8,643	31,409
TOTALS		933,264	184,327	1,117,591

751 Debt Service	<u>1,637,261</u>	<u>86,890</u>	<u>1,724,151</u>
TOTAL APPROPRIATION	2,570,525	271,217	2,841,742

Article 2: A motion was made and seconded and **VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE BY THE MAJORITY** to accept the provisions of M.G.L. Chapter 40, Section 57 relative to local licenses and permits, denial, revocation or suspension for failure to pay municipal taxes or charges

Article 3: to see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$75,000 to be applied towards a required match for a grant of \$150,000 from the Executive Office of Public Safety to defray costs related to the study, design and construction of a police public safety facility for the town of Avon

A MOTION WAS MADE AND SECONDED AND VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE TO WITHDRAW THIS ARTICLE

Article 4: A motion was made and seconded and **VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE BY THE MAJORITY** to amend the existing Watershed Protection District By-Law Map to include the new 2007 DEP Zone II delineation for the new Well Field No. 3 Pump Station

Article 5: A motion was made and seconded and **VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE BY THE MAJORITY** to accept as public ways the following streets: Teddy Drive, Shawn Drive and Spagna Way in accordance with all Town By-Laws and state statutes. A motion was made and seconded to amend this article to include Clinton Way. The amended motion failed and the vote was taken on the original motion.

Article 6: A motion was made and seconded and **VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE BY A COUNTED MAJORITY** of 36-34 to transfer from FREE CASH the sum of Fourteen Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$14,500) to install security lighting behind the public library

Article 7: A motion was made and **VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE BY THE MAJORITY** to transfer from FREE CASH, a sum of money for the various capital and special projects of the Town, including but not limited to purchase of new and/or replacement equipment and vehicles, repairs or additions to the Town's water supply system, and repairs and additions to Town facilities, including costs incidental and related to such projects.

<u>Department</u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>Cost</u>
Board of Selectmen	Town Hall improvements	\$35,000
Highway Dept.	New sidewalk tractor with plow and other related equipment	133,000
Park & Recreation	New concrete sheds at the Crowley and Butler Fields	9,000
	Construction of a T-ball field at Crowley	5,000
Water Dept.	Replace 1990 Ford Service truck	28,301
	New and replacement fire hydrants	24,092

Article 8: A motion was made and seconded and **VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE BY THE MAJORITY** to raise and appropriate the sum of Seven Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$7,500) to be transferred to Article # 9 of the Special Town Meeting of September 25, 2006 to provide for continuing security lighting at the Crowley School

Article 9: A motion was made and seconded and **DEFEATED BY THE MAJORITY** to transfer from free cash the sum of Twenty Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000) to be used for the Town's 125th Anniversary Celebration in 2013

Article 10: A motion was made and seconded and **VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE BY THE MAJORITY** to transfer from free cash the sum of Two Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$200,000) to be placed in the Stabilization Account

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "V. Jean Kopke".

V. Jean Kopke
Town Clerk