

SPECIAL MEETING-MANSFIELD TOWN COUNCIL  
February 9, 2010

Deputy Mayor Gregory Haddad called the special meeting of the Mansfield Town Council to order at 6:00 p.m. in the Community Room of the Community Center.

I. ROLL CALL

Present: Haddad, Keane, Kochenburger, Lindsey, Moran, Paulhus,  
Ryan  
Schaefer  
Excused: Paterson

II. QUARTERLY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DATED DECEMBER 31, 2009

Director of Finance Cherie Trahan reviewed the expenditures and revenues for the quarter ending December 31, 2009. Town Manager Matt Hart and Assistant to the Town Manager Maria Capriola described the Town's wellness program and the self-insurance program.

Flag – Reasons out of district special education children pay tuition to Mansfield.

Ms. Moran moved and Mr. Ryan seconded to accept the Quarterly Financial Statements dated December 31, 2009 as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

III. CAPITAL NON-RECURRING FUND

The Director of Finance presented an overview of the Capital Non-recurring Fund and a proposed mitigation plan to address the shortfall. Ms. Trahan will track the shortfall which is currently \$256,390.

Flag – An explanation of the Pequot Fund formula criteria for the inclusion of UConn students in the institutional count for the Town.

Mr. Paulhus left at 7:30 p.m.

IV. PROPOSED 2010/2011 BUDGET

Approximately 1.3% of the anticipated 5.64% total change in the real estate property tax assessments for FY 2010/2011 is due to new growth. The Town Manager's budget to the Council will most likely be

a budget that supports current services. The Town Manager noted that in the last 3 years substantial cuts in personnel have been made in the Town budget and further reductions would involve major policy decisions.

Flag – Ask CCM to provide information regarding the percent of increase in the budgets of like towns and regional towns. Ask CCM to provide information on the percent of increase in the grand list in like towns and regional towns.

V. CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN

The Director of Finance provided information on the one year and five years Capital Improvements Program and reviewed the current debt service of the Town. Town Manger Matt Hart stressed that the Town needs to find a way to support the needed capital improvements, especially given the Town's historic dependence on state funding.

VI. COUNCIL POLICY RECOMMENDATIONS

Flag – Request for information regarding average negotiated salary increases in similar communities and types of arbitration awards being granted including arbitration awards in instances where previously there had been a zero increase.

Finance Chair Bill Ryan thanked Ms. Trahan and the staff for the information presented.

Mr. Schaefer moved and Ms. Moran seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:35 p.m.

Motion passed unanimously.

Gregory Haddad, Deputy Mayor  
Clerk.

Mary Stanton, Town