

**MINUTES**  
**SCARBOROUGH TOWN COUNCIL**  
**THURSDAY – APRIL 23, 2009**  
**SPECIAL TOWN COUNCIL MEETING**  
**7: 00 P.M. FIRST READING ON THE PROPOSED**  
**MUNICIPAL/SCHOOL BUDGET FOR FY 2010**

**Item 1. Call to Order.** Chairman Wood called the special meeting of the Scarborough Town Council to order at 7:00 p.m.

**Item 2. Pledge of Allegiance.**

**Item 3. Roll Call.** Rolled was called by Yolande P. Justice, Town Clerk. Thomas J. Hall, Town Manager, was also present.

Ronald D. Ahlquist	Shawn A. Babine
Carol S. Rancourt, Vice Chair	Judith L. Roy
Richard J. Sullivan, Jr.	Karen A. D'Andrea [Absent]
Michael J. Wood, Chairman	

**Order No. 09-60. First reading and schedule a public hearing on the proposed Municipal/School Budget for FY 2010.** The following individuals spoke against the proposed decrease in the School Budget as recommended by the Finance Committee: Brian Dell'Olio of 28 Pine Point Road and Chairman of the Board of Education; Chris Brownsey of 8 Frazier Acre Lane and a member of the Board of Education; Jackie Perry of 215 Black Point Road and a member of the Board of Education; Annalee Rosenblatt of 18 Tall Pines Road and a member of the Board of Education and John Cole of Arbor View Lane and a member of the Board of Education.

Motion by Councillor Roy, seconded by Councillor Babine, to move approval of first reading on the proposed Municipal/School Budget for FY 2010 and schedule a public hearing for 7:00 p.m. Wednesday, April 29, 2009.

Motion by Councillor Babine, seconded by Councillor Ahlquist, to move approval to amend the main motion to accept the Finance Committee's recommendations as follows:

**Gross Municipal Operating Budget:**

- Increase Executive by \$40,930 for a new total of \$1,812,696
- Decrease Finance by \$12,000 for a new total of \$1,203,386
- Decrease Library by \$45,187 for a new total of \$760,556
- Decrease Fire by \$12, 345 for a new total of \$3,308,416
- Decrease Public Works by \$43,705 for a new total of \$6,537,103

For a total decrease of \$72,307 and a new Gross Municipal Total of \$20,015,749

**Municipal Revenue:**

- Increase Executive revenue by \$937,264 for a new total of \$9,828,796

For a new Municipal Net Appropriation of \$10,186,953

**Gross Education Budget:**

- Decrease Education Appropriation by \$715,000 for a new total of \$34,645,366  
For a new net Education Appropriation of \$26,252,815

**School Capital Budget:**

- Increase the School Capital Projects by \$1,489,110 for a new total of the same
- Increase School Capital Bond Proceeds by \$1,489,110

**Other:**

- Increase the Resident Senior Property Tax Relief Fund by \$10,000 for a new total of \$110,000

Resulting in a new Total Net Appropriation of \$41,655,897, which shall be raised from taxation.

Motion by Councillor Roy, seconded by Councillor Rancourt, to divide the question and take the proposed decrease in the Library Budget and the increase in Municipal Executive Revenues that affect SEDCO funding and the Undesignated Fund Balance; separately.

Vote: 6 yeas.

Motion by Councillor Roy, seconded by Councillor Rancourt, to move approval to amend the main motion and reinstate the original budget request from the Library of \$45,187.

Vote: 2 yeas.           4 nays (Chairman Wood, Councillors Ahlquist, Sullivan and Babine)

Motion by Chairman Wood, seconded by Councillor Rancourt, to move approval to amend the main motion to decrease the Library appropriation by \$7,982 for the purposed of flat-funding the budget with the exception of personnel-related expenses consistent with other Town departments, resulting in a new Library Gross Budget total of \$872,461.

Vote: 6 yeas.

Motion by Chairman Wood, seconded by Councillor Rancourt, to move approval to amend the main motion as amended to increase the Executive Revenue by \$30,000 for the purposes of using a total of \$180,000 from the Economic Development Fund to fund SEDCO operations, resulting in a new Municipal Revenue total of \$8,924,532.

Vote: 3 yeas.           3 nays (Councillors Ahlquist, Babine and Sullivan)

Motion by Chairman Wood, seconded by Councillor Roy, to move approval to amend the main motion as amended to increase the Executive Revenue by \$415,000 for the purpose of using a total of \$850,000 from the General Fund Undesignated Fund Balance to minimize the impact on the tax rate, resulting in a new Municipal Revenue total of \$9,339,532.

Vote: 4 yeas.           2 nays (Councillors Babine and Sullivan)

Amendments as presented by the Finance Committee and divided by the Council:

**Gross Municipal Operating Budget:**

- Increase Executive by \$40,930 for a new total of \$1,812,696
- Decrease Finance by \$12,000 for a new total of \$1,203,386
- Decrease Fire by \$12, 345 for a new total of \$3,308,416
- Decrease Public Works by \$43,705 for a new total of \$6,537,103

**Gross Education Budget:**

- Decrease Education Appropriation by \$715,000 for a new total of \$34,645,366
- For a new net Education Appropriation of \$26,252,815

**School Capital Budget:**

- Increase the School Capital Projects by \$1,489,110 for a new total of the same
- Increase School Capital Bond Proceeds by \$1,489,110

**Other:**

- Increase the Resident Senior Property Tax Relief Fund by \$10,000 for a new total of \$110,000

Resulting in a new Total Net Appropriation of \$43,367,468, which shall be raised from taxation.

Vote on Finance Committee Amendments: 6 yeas.

Main motion as amended:

**Gross Municipal Operating Budget:**

- Increase Executive by \$40,930 for a new total of \$1,812,696
- Decrease Finance by \$12,000 for a new total of \$1,203,386
- Decrease Library by \$7,982 for a new total of \$797,761
- Decrease Fire by \$12, 345 for a new total of \$3,308,416
- Decrease Public Works by \$43,705 for a new total of \$6,537,103

For a total decrease of \$35,102 and a new Gross Municipal Total of \$20,052,954

**Municipal Revenue:**

- Increase Executive revenue by \$489,162 for a new total of \$9,383,694

For a new Municipal Net Appropriation of \$10,669,260

**Gross Education Budget:**

- Decrease Education Appropriation by \$715,000 for a new total of \$34,645,366

For a new net Education Appropriation of \$26,252,815

**School Capital Budget:**

- Increase the School Capital Projects by \$1,489,110 for a new total of the same
- Increase School Capital Bond Proceeds by \$1,489,110

**Other:**

- Increase the Resident Senior Property Tax Relief Fund by \$10,000 for a new total of \$110,000

Resulting in a new Total Net Appropriation of \$42,138,204, which shall be raised from taxation.

Vote on Main Motion as amended: 6 yeas.

**Order No. 09-61. Act to set the date, time and location of the School Budget Validation Referendum for Tuesday, May 12, 2009.** Motion by Councillor Rancourt, seconded by Councillor Roy, to move approval to set Tuesday, May 12, 2009, for the School Validation Referendum - at the High School Conference Center – Polls will open at 6:00 a.m. and close at 8:00 p.m.

Vote: 6 yeas.

**Item 4. Adjournment.** Motion by Councillor Rancourt, seconded by Councillor Ahlquist, to move approval to adjourn the special meeting of the Town Council.

Vote: 6 yeas.

Meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Yolande P. Justice  
Town Clerk