

Minutes of  
THE BROOKFIELD ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
May 2, 2013  
BROOKFIELD TOWN HALL

**Members Present,** Mary Beth Harrity, Gerald Johnson, Mary Lou Knight, Roger Lafleur, Cindy Mundell

**Members Not Present:** Ana Afton, Michael Breuer, Tim Roughan, Ian Von Hold

**Guest:** Brenda McElroy, Tax Collector; Beth Coughlin

**Pledge of Allegiance**

Meeting called to order at 7:02

**Approve Minutes**

Motion was made by Roger Lafleur to approve the minutes of the 04/25/2013 meeting. Seconded by Mary Beth Harrity. Passed with Cindy Mundell abstaining.

**Request for Transfer**

The Tax Collector has requested a transfer from the Reserve Fund of \$2,250.00 to be used to place 15 Tax Payers in Tax Title prior to year end. Balance n the Tax Title Expense Account is currently \$0.

Motion was made by Cindy Mundell to approve. Seconded by Roger Lafleur. Passed.

**Vacancy on Advisory Committee**

Beth Coughlin has submitted a request to fill the current vacancy on the Advisory Committee. Vacancy is due to the resignation of Michael Breuer.

Motion was made by Roger Lafleur to accept Beth Coughlin to fill the vacant position. Seconded by Mary Lou Knight. Passed.

Cindy Mundell will contact Michael Breuer for a copy of his computer budget history.

**Budget Discussion**

Line by line discussion of budget recommendations as of 3/7/2013 (attached):

**Line 15 – Selectman Consultant/Grant Writer/Administrator Expenses Continue to hold to determine if this is to be article or line item.**

**Line 207 Regional School – Hold pending discussion with Betty Benoit about the level of this debt. Jerry Johnson will talk to Betty Benoit**

## **Budget Article Discussion**

**Article 12** – Cemetery Preservation Fund transfer. Motion to approve was made by Cindy Mundell. Seconded by Mary Beth Harrity. Passed

**Article 15** - \$8,000 for Fire Dept. Hydraulic Rescue Tools. Motion to approve was made by Roger Lafleur. Seconded by Mary Beth Harrity. Passed

**Article 16** - \$10,000 for Fire Dept. to replace air tanks and protective clothing. Motion to approve was made by Cindy Mundell. Seconded by Roger Lafleur. Passed

**Article 17** - \$7,500 for the Highway Dept. to paint centerlines and/or fog lines. Motion to approve was made by Mary Beth Harrity. Seconded by Roger Lafleur. Passed

**Article 18** - \$32,000 for the Highway Dept. for town roads. Motion was made to approve by Roger Lafleur. Seconded by Cindy Mundell. Passed

**Article 19, 20, 21** – Motion was made by Cindy Mundell to hold for clarification. Need to verify that the Police Dept. is included. Seconded by Roger Lafleur. Passed.

**Article 22** – New Police Station. Motion to approve was made by Mary Lou Knight. Seconded by Roger Lafleur. Passed 4-1.

**Article 23** - \$10,000 for Library building maintenance. Motion to approve by Roger Lafleur. Seconded by Cindy Mundell. Passed

**Article 24** - \$260,000 for Saw Mill Pond Dam. Motion was made by Mary Beth Harrity for clarification on the dollar amount. Seconded by Cindy Mundell. Passed

**Article 25** - \$24,000 for improvements to Lewis Field. Motion was made by Cindy Mundell to hold. Seconded by Mary Beth Harrity. Passed

**Article 26** - \$16,000 for Transfer Station Improvement Account Motion was made by Roger Lafleur to hold pending clarification of the dollar amount. Seconded by Mary Beth Harrity. Passed

**Article 28** - \$6,000 for new copier for the Town Hall. Motion to approve was made by Roger Lafleur. Seconded by Mary Lou Knight. Passed

**Article 29** - \$12,000 for Actuarial Computation Service. Motion to approve was made by Mary Beth Harrity. Seconded by Roger Lafleur. Passed 4-1

**Article 30** - \$5,000 for the Clean Lakes Account. Motion to approve was made by Mary Beth Harrity. Seconded by Roger Lafleur. Passed.

**Article 32** - \$2,193.87 for the third Workers' Compensation invoice. Motion to approve was made by Mary Lou Knight. Seconded by Roger Lafleur. Passed

**Article 36, 37** – Massachusetts Preservation Project Matching Grant. Motion to hold pending further information was made by Roger Lafleur. Seconded by Cindy Mundell. Passed

**Article 39 - Community Septic Loan Program Motion to pass over was made by Roger Lafleur. Seconded by Cindy Mundell. Passed**

**Article 40 – Right to Farm – Motion to make no recommendation was made by Roger Lafleur. Seconded by Cindy Mundell. Passed**

**Article 42 – Temporary Moratorium on Medical Marijuana Treatment Centers. Motion to not approve was made by Roger Lafleur. Seconded by Cindy Mundell. Passed**

**Article ?? – Include Treasurer's position in Personnel By-laws. Motion to approve was made by Mary Beth Harrity. Seconded by Cindy Mundell. Passed**

**Article 43 – Transfer from Free Cash to Stabilization Motion to approve was made by Roger Lafleur. Seconded by Cindy Mundell. Passed**

### **Motion to Adjourn**

Motion was made to adjourn by Roger Lafleur. Seconded by Cindy Mundell. Passed.

Meeting adjourned at 8:24

Next meeting is Thursday, May 9 at 7:00 PM at the Town Hall. Invite the Selectmen to this meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Lou Knight  
Secretary – Brookfield Advisory Committee