

## Omitted Minutes '77 Annual School Budget Meetings

**Editor's Note:** For some reason not clear to us and by what appeared to be a pre-arranged situation, the minutes of the 1977 Annual School Meeting were not read at this year's Annual Meeting which was a direct departure from the policy of many years precedence. Thus, we have taken the time and trouble under the new Public Information Law to print a true copy of last year's Annual School Board meeting which appears below for the convenience of our readers.

The Annual Meeting of the voters of Andover Central School District No. 1 was called to order May 3, 1977, by the Chairman Lawrence Corwin in the Andover Central School Auditorium.

The minutes of the Annual meeting of May 4, 1976 were read by the Clerk, Carl Atwell. The minutes were approved by a motion by Richard Godown and seconded by Ray Lehman.

The Tax Collector's Report was read by Ethel Kelley.

Amount of Taxes  
Levied \$297,436.58  
Total Taxes Collected \$263,468.25  
Total Taxes Returned \$ 31,970.35  
Motion was made by Howard Burdick to accept the Tax Collector's Report. Seconded by Francis Vickers.

District Principal presented the proposed Annual Budget for the school year 1977-78. Chairman announced that the voting will take place on three Board Members.

(1) The term of Dr. William Walker — the unexpired term is for two (2) years.

Petitions were properly filed with the Clerk of the Board by Donald Baker and Virginia Milligan.

(2) The term of Conner Stephens — Five year term.

Petitions were properly filed with the Clerk of the Board by Conner Stephens and Lawrence Godown.

(3) Francis Horan — Position on the Board temporarily filled by H. Dale Green. Three year unexpired term.

Petitions were properly filed with the Clerk of the Board by Howard Dale Green and Paul McCormick.

Results of the vote on Term of Dr. William Walker — two years  
Donald Baker Votes — 106  
Virginia Milligan — 138

Results of the vote on Term of Conner Stephens — Five year term  
Conner Stephens — 130  
Lawrence Godown — 116

Results of the vote on Term of Francis Horan — position on Board temporarily filled by H. Dale Green. Three years.  
Howard Dale Green — 117  
Paul McCormick — 127

Results of the vote on the proposed budget of \$1,109,242.77 and to accumulate a planned balance for July 1, 1978 of \$15,000.00 — Yes votes 104 — No votes 123. Meeting closed 10:53 P. M.

CARL ATWELL, Clerk

The Special Meeting of Andover Central School was called to order May 24, 1977, in the ACS Auditorium by Ralph Allen, Chairman. Minutes from the May 3rd, 1977 meeting were read by Carl Atwell. Mr. Kessler moved, Mr. Godown seconded that these minutes be accepted as read. Carried by a hand vote.

Karl Graves called out of order on motion to Reinstate Nurse Teacher position.

Mr. Allen read notice and reason for the Special Meeting.

Discussion was held on legality of what point of order is to be taken. Richard Godown read item pertaining to the Annual Meeting Delay was in getting an answer from Dr. Holowach. A five minute recess was called by Chairman Mr. Allen.

Mr. Jordan explained the options to the people present after the meeting was re-convened by Mr. Allen. These options were regarding the option to amend the budget

presented. Mr. Karl Graves moved to amend the budget to Re-instate the School Nurse Teacher position at the salary listed in the original Budget and to vote by a show of hands. Mr. Lawrence Godown seconded Discussion was held on the above motion. Question called for by Mr. Hann and Mr. MacMichael. Mr. Richard Godown also had questions along with Mr. Kessler among others. Approximately 153 Yes — approximately 15 No to Mr. Graves motion. Show of Hands. Question by Ed Van Stine on the recess motion.

Motion was made by Rev. Baxter that when we recess, we recess until June 21st to vote on the budget and other matters that may become before that meeting. Seconded by Julie Tidd. Motion with drawn by Rev. Baxter.

Meeting reconvened by Ralph Allen. G. Middaugh, appointed to act as Clerk until Clerk returns. Conner Stephens has the podium on phone with Holowach. Board discussion to adhere or not to budget. Alternatives could go with advisory — or come back and make out ballots indicating to re-instate or not — with the understanding that people would stand financially behind the decision.

Mr. Kessler made the motion that transportation and athletics be put back in the budget.

Mr. Spangler from deer run camp grounds made a comment that we have the alternative of going on Austerity or going on and on this way.

Mr. MacMichael informed the people that we can present the budget for voting through August.

Mr. Kessler informed the people that next year the New School Bonds will be paid off and that would give the school \$300,000 and the interest to pay Charity McCormick's salary.

Person took the floor and informed the people that the budget was illegal as it was made out when the Board only consisted of four members and that they must have five to prepare a budget.

Mrs. Milligan who will be taking office the first of July, took the podium and made the following statement:

In regards to the May 3, 1977 Budget Presentation and Board Election Meeting I wish to make the following statement:

The established Board of Education of our school district consists of 5 members. On the advice of Mr. Jordan and Dr. Holowach they chose not to appoint a replacement for the position vacated by Dr. William Walker in February of this year, leaving only a 4 member board to act thereafter until an election was held. Had there been an appointment made that the appointee would have filled the vacancy until June 30, 1977. There was no appointment made. I ran for that special position and was elected.

You the people at this school district deserve to have a full 5 member Board representing you at all times and I feel I should have taken my position on our School Board as of the night you elected me, even though I was notified by Mr. Jordan my term would not take effect until after July 1, 1977.

The Board is now in Executive meeting. Chairman declared a five minute recess to find out what is going on.

Mr. MacMichael informed the people that he knew what the State Aid was for Andover Central School for 1977-78 and that we would be getting about \$70,000 more than we did this year and that because of that the taxes would not go up next year.

The Board returned after a lengthy discussion. Decision was that there would be no Board action at this time.

James Mulholland moved. Larry Godown seconded that the proposed budget be voted on. Budget amount \$1,111,637.77 including planned balance.

Discussion was held concerning the proposed budget. James Mulholland withdrew his motion.

Motion made by Ed Van Stine to recess; we recess until June 21st at 7:50 to vote on the Budget and other matters that may be put on the Agenda for that meeting. Seconded by Karl Graves. A paper

ballot vote was taken — 168 Yes — 30 No. 198 votes cast. CARL ATWELL, Clerk

The Annual Meeting of Andover Central School was re-convened from May 24, 1977 on June 21st, 1977. The Chairman was Ed Van Stine.

Mr. Van Stine explained the voting and the fact that the budget would be read and discussed item by item. He also read the Advisory Proposition that is on the voting machine at this time.

A discussion was held regarding the wording of the Budget and proposition in the paper and what was printed on the voting machine.

Mr. Godown asked Atty Argentiere what his fee was for services rendered. Mr. Argentiere responded that for consultations and legal advice for the past three years he would have a bill of about \$1,000.00.

Mr. Godown questioned the accuracy of the State Aid Estimate in the Budget. Mrs. Kelley responded that the last year's State Aid Estimate and State Aid received were exactly the same. That there had been several print outs published in the papers each stipulating that we were going to receive a different amount in aid the next year. These print outs varied from additional \$35,000 to \$90,000.

The Budget was discussed at length with many questions asked in most areas.

Question was asked by L. Godown regarding the CEIA person working in Mr. Russell's office. This Secretary is working at Andover at no expense to the school.

Mr. K. Godown questioned what appeared to be an overspending of the budget in 75-76. It was explained that due to the fire — the expense of repairing had to be added to the budget — by Board approval. Also the Revenues for this year were increased by the amount received by the Insurance Company.

Mr. MacMichael asked a question regarding the funds for Title I. It was explained that these funds were kept separate from the regular school funds. These are kept in a bank account under "Federal Funds". The Title I Program is decreased by 15% each year now. We are now receiving less than \$5,000.00.

Mrs. Burns asked if the list of books used by the school could be available for inspection. Mr. Jordan answered that this should be taken up with the Board at a later date — (not pertaining to the Budget.)

Mrs. Wightman wanted to know who ordered for the Playground. There is a need for new equipment. Mrs. Kelley answered that she ordered only what the Physical Education teachers requested in this area — it would be brought to the attention of these people.

Many questions were asked regarding the School Nurse Teacher position and the possible replacement by a School Nurse. Questions were in regard to BOCES recruitment — full or part time person — length of day of School Nurse Teacher and salary paid now and what would be needed to hire School Nurse.

Questions were asked regarding the Educational T. V. program regarding Phase I and Phase II and what to expect in the future. Question was also asked regarding the Audio Visual Service which we purchase through BOCES.

Mr. Spangler asked why the Guidance Budget was as small as it was for supplies and materials. It was explained that a lot of the testing materials were purchased through regular teaching supplies and materials as it was used in this function. Thus the only items purchased at this time out of the Guidance Budget itself were new Career Books and supplies that were used by the students in planning their future.

Mr. Spangler wanted to know why we pay BOCES for Transportation. It was explained that thru shared services contracts with BOCES and Whitesville — we are reimbursed for about 75% of our costs of transporting students to BOCES and back.

Mr. Kessler asked if this wasn't the last year that we pay on the "New School Project". Mrs. Kelley

## News Briefs Of Local Servicemen

Navy Seaman Recruit Christopher P. Brown, son of Regina A. Brown of 16 Church Street, Andover, New York, has completed recruit training at the Naval Training Center, Great Lakes, Illinois. During the eight-week training cycle, he studied general military subjects designed to prepare him for further academic and on-the-job training in one of the Navy's 85 basic occupational fields.

Included in his studies were seamanship, close-order drill, Naval history and first aid. Personnel who complete this course of instruction are eligible for three hours of college credit in Physical Education and Hygiene. He joined the Navy in January 1978.

## New Arrivals

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Brown of 92 South Grand Street, West Suffield, Conn., are parents of an 8 lb. 12-oz. son, Ryan Eric, born Tuesday, May 13, 1978 at Bay State Medical Center in Springfield, Mass. Mr. and Mrs. George Brown are paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Cook of Hornell are maternal grandparents and Mr. and Mrs. Gussie O'Dell are paternal great-grandparents.

## Stephen Walker Receives Second Prize Award

Stephen Walker has been awarded second prize in the 1978 Sterling Silver Design Competition sponsored by the Sterling Silver-Smiths Guild of America. His entry, "Sterling Goblet", will be on display at Lever House, New York City, June 2 - 20, along with the other award pieces and selected entries.

The award carries a prize of \$400 plus a duplicate award to the metalworking department of his school, Syracuse University. Stephen is a 1975 graduate of Andover Central School and is a junior in fine arts.

## Stolen Car Recovered By Sheriff's Deputy

Allegany County Sheriff's Deputy Ray Witter recently recovered a 1975 Ford Pickup which had been stolen from C. Wood in Bolivar, N. Y.

George McCaffery III reported seeing the truck parked on Route 417 between Andover and Greenwood for a couple of days to Officer Witter, who investigated the ownership and found that it had been stolen. Following the investigation, the vehicle will be returned to its owner.

## Receives Masters Of Art Degree

Rosemary Baker of Salamanca, daughter of John E. Baker and the late Virginia Baker of Andover received a Master's of Art Degree in English Literature from St. Bonaventure University, at their 118th Commencement Exercises held Sunday, May 21st.

Miss Baker, a 1968 graduate of Andover Central School, plans to publish her term paper this summer.

John E. Baker attended the graduation exercises at St. Bonaventure, Sunday, when his daughter received her MS Degree.

answered yes it was. Mr. Van Stine recessed the meeting at 10:45 to resume at 12:00 noon on June 22nd. MARY K. SLADE, Clerk

Meeting was resumed at Noon June 22, 1977, for voting purposes on the budget for 1977-78. Meeting was adjourned at 8:00 P. M.

MARY K. SLADE, Clerk

Budget — 295 Yes — 115 No. Board Member — Richard Godown — 264 Yes — 65 No

## United Methodist Sunday School News

The United Methodist Sunday School was concluded for the summer recess with awards being given to 29 people on Youth Sunday, May 21st, at the morning worship hour. The following received awards:

3 Month Pins  
Heidi Cook, Aubrey Brown  
1 Year Pins  
Amy Winslow, Bruce Gilbert, Brenda Gilbert, Monte Milligan, Guy Milligan, Debra Gilbert, Julie Manske, George Brown, Esther and Alan Tuttle

2 Year Bars  
Christopher Cook, Mark Hardy, Brian Brundage, Paula Brundage, Heather Cook, John Hardy, Gregory Hardy, Brenda Smith and Doris Church.

Since we began the pin attendance award system in 1976-77 fifty-six have received 3 month pins; 29 1 year pins, and 9 two year bars. We hope everyone will be back in September working toward their next award.

Thanks go to the staff, parents and pupils for making 1977-78 a successful Sunday School year.

Thirteen from our Church Sunday School have indicated that they will take part in Vacation Bible School to be held at the Baptist Church the last week of June each morning. Times and schedules will be in the newspapers.

Each pupil will report to the Baptist Church. Debra Gilbert and George Milligan will act as teacher and assistant in the 3rd and 4th grade. Anyone else from our church who did not indicate intention of attending may do so at anytime or just go and register the first day.

George Milligan and Harold Huffcut played trumpet and trombone duets on Youth Sunday.

We urge all pupils to attend summer worship services with their families.

See you in Sunday School in September!

## Allegany County Fire Control Report For April

From: Allegany County Fire Control, 82 East Greenwood Street Andover, New York for the month of April 1978.

FIRES	
Industrial	0
Mercantile	0
Dwellings	2
Chimney Fires	12
Farm Bldgs	3
Motor Vehicle	6
Oil Fields	0
Grass & Brush	32
Pennsylvania Calls	2
Miscellaneous Calls	6

Total Calls	
ACCIDENTS — 5	70
MUTUAL AID	
In County	8
Out of County	3

Total Calls	
Radio Checks — 58	11
Siren Tests — 33	
Vehicle Practice — 10	
Vehicle Maintenance — 24	

AMBULANCE CALLS	
Alfred	12
Almond	6
Andover	17
Angelica	9
Belfast	6
Bolivar	13
Fillmore	11
Friendship	11
Genesee	0
Houghton	2
Richburg	4
Rushford	4
Shinglehouse	13

Total Calls	
Lost Persons — 1	109
False Alarms — 4	
Cleaning Chimneys — 3	
Pumping Cellars — 2	
Washing Down Gas — 1	
Washing Streets — 3	
Oil Spill — 1	
Miscellaneous Calls — 1274	
Total Calls for the Month — 1689	

## Maple Twig Notice

The Maple Twig will meet Tuesday, June 14, 1978 at 12:30 p. m., at the home of Phyllis Mattison, 145 N. Highland Ave., Wellsville, for a picnic. Bring a dish to pass and your own table service.