

## **Financial Update**

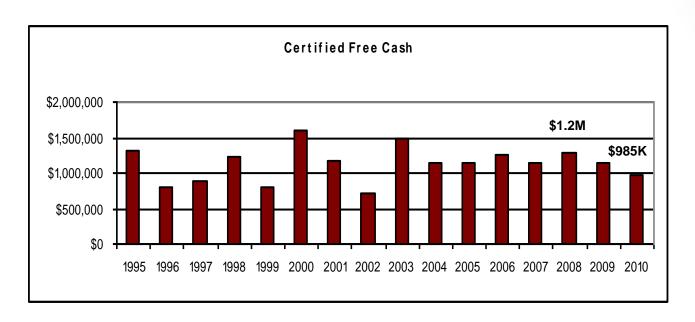
**Board of Selectmen Meeting November 1, 2011** 

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## **Items to Review**

- Free cash.
- Review of FY13 (Sept. 26 BOS Meeting)
  - FY13 preliminary look.
  - Progress on financial targets.
- FY13 budget projections.
  - Revenue.
  - Expenditures.
- FY13 initial budget plan.

## **Free Cash Certification**



5-Year Average (2006 – 2010) - \$1.16M or 1.5 – 2% of budget.

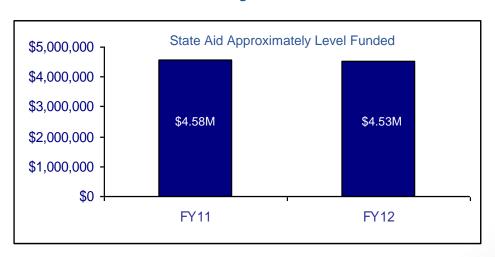
- Free cash certification as of 6/30/2011 negative \$428,638.
- Free cash updated net certification (with Westwood Station tax payment) amount **\$2,572,798.** As previously presented, higher than average due to:
  - Improved FY11 budget to actual revenue results.
  - Westwood Station tax interest of \$344,197.

## **Final FY12 State Aid**

|   |             | FY12 Town Meeting | Final       | FY11 - FY12   | FY11 - FY12  | Town Meeting to       |
|---|-------------|-------------------|-------------|---------------|--------------|-----------------------|
| FY12 State Aid  | FY11        | Budget            | State Aid   | \$ Difference | % Difference | Final - \$ Difference |
|   |             |                   |             |               |              |                       |
| Chapter 70  | \$3,756,916 | \$3,777,085       | \$3,777,085 | \$20,169      | 0.5%         | \$0                   |
| Municipal Aid (Old Lottery and Additional Assistance) | \$617,080   | \$572,463         | \$572,463   | -\$44,617     | -7.2%        | \$0                   |
| Police Career Incentive - "Quinn Bill" (Approx.)      | \$14,213    | \$13,665          | \$0         | -\$14,213     | -100.0%      | -\$13,665             |
| Other - reimbursement programs - i.e., veterans       | \$167,725   | \$162,381         | \$159,326   | -\$8,399      | -5.0%        | -\$3,055              |
| Offset/Restrictions                                   | \$25,628    | \$26,493          | \$26,493    | \$865         | 3.4%         | \$0                   |
|   |             |                   |             |               |              |                       |
| Total   | \$4,581,562 | \$4,552,087       | \$4,535,367 | -\$46,195     | -1.0%        | -\$16,720             |

### Options for \$44,617 additional state aid:

- Do nothing and funds will flow to free cash at close of FY12.
- Use funds as an estimated receipt on our tax recap.
- Appropriate funds at our next Town Meeting.



## **FY13 Preliminary Look**

### **Revenue**

- Westwood Station taxes stabilized.
- State aid was level funded in FY12.....FY13?
- Local receipts budget reductions FY10, FY11 are sufficient. Level fund FY13, as did during FY12.
- Free cash balance will be positive, should use carefully.

## **Expenditures**

- FY12 funded 2% increases to school and municipal budgets.
- Changes to benefit costs.
- Need to fund capital and reserves, including OPEB.
- Completion of debt payments in FY12.

# Potential Progress on Financial Targets in FY13

- Reserve Account
  - Appropriate Westwood Station tax interest of \$340K to Stabilization Account.
- OPEB
  - Utilize health budget savings and transfer to OPEB Trust.
- Capital Budget
  - Utilize drop off in debt payments to fund capital bond.
    - \$16.6M 2002 bonds end in FY12.
      - Exempt and non-exempt debt service drop off.
      - Opportunity to replace current debt:
        - Approximate \$2M bond within Prop 2 ½ and
        - Approximate \$2M bond voted as debt exclusion.

# Review of FY13 Projections - Revenue

| Revenue   | \$ Impact   |
|---|-------------|
| <ul> <li>Tax Revenue</li> <li>Projection based on increases per Prop 2 1/1 (2.5% plus estimated \$300K new growth.)</li> </ul>              |             |
| Budget assumption -Increase \$1.6M.   | \$1,600,000 |
| <ul> <li>State Aid</li> <li>Projections depend on state budget. (Each 5% cut would be \$217K)</li> </ul>                                    |             |
| Budget assumption – assume level funding FY13.  | \$0         |
| <ul> <li>Local Receipts</li> <li>Projections based on actual results and estimates of motor vehicle, investment income, permits.</li> </ul> |             |
| Budget assumption – level fund FY13.  | \$0         |
| Available Funds • Projections based on actual accounts and limited restricted used of funds.  |             |
| Budget assumption – level fund FY13.  | \$0         |
| Free Cash • Certified amount known, apply only to capital per financial policies.   | \$0         |
| Budget assumption – Continue level funding of free cash for capital budgets only (\$700K)   |             |
| Total Revenue Change FY12 to FY13   | \$1,600,000 |

## **Review of FY13 Projections - Expenditures**

| Expenditures   | \$ Impact   |
|--|-------------|
| Fixed costs • Projection driven by health insurance and pension budget changes.  |             |
| Budget assumption – Assume 6% overall increase (similar to FY12) – this will provide room for pension fluctuation and health/OPEB appropriation. | (\$540,000) |
| Debt service • Projection based on actual and planned debt service reductions.   |             |
| Budget assumption – assume level for FY13 to provide "space" for new debt issued.  | \$0         |
| Other non operating budget increases • Projection based on funds required for overly, state charges, etc.  |             |
| Budget assumption – need to increase overall total by \$50,000.  | (\$50,000)  |
| Total Expenditure Change   | (\$590,000) |

| Total Revenue   | \$1,600,000 |  |  |  |
|---|-------------|--|--|--|
| Total Expenditures  | (\$590,000) |  |  |  |
| Net Revenue   | \$1,010,000 |  |  |  |
| This provides for approximate 2% increases to municipal and school Operating budgets. |             |  |  |  |
| (Each 1% for school and municipal \$490K)   |             |  |  |  |

# **FY13 Initial Budget Plan**

### **Operating Budgets**

- 2% increase to school and municipal operating budgets.
  - FY13 municipal target \$15,282,457
  - FY13 school target \$34,391,940

### **Capital Budgets**

- Level fund base capital.
  - School \$406,000
  - Municipal \$417,000
- Increase capital spending with two new bonds.
  - \$2M municipal and school capital needs.
  - \$2M exempt debt road improvement bond.

### **Reserves/Liability**

- Appropriation to Stabilization fund.
  - Increase current annual appropriation from \$25K to \$50K.
  - One time lump appropriation based on Westwood Station taxes interest.
- Appropriation of health savings to OPEB trust.
  - Continue to increase small appropriation within fixed costs budget (currently \$26K).
  - Establish annual appropriation from health insurance savings.
  - One time lump appropriation from FY12 savings.

#### This provides deliverable on 3 financial target areas:

- Increase capital appropriation.
- Appropriation to OPEB account.
- Appropriation to Stabilization account.