

Town of Cape Elizabeth
Taxpayer Bill of Rights Task Force
Minutes of August 9, 2006 Meeting

Present: David Backer, Chair, Town Council; Beth Currier, Co-Chair; Janet McLaughlin, Co-Chair; Kevin Sweeney; Ann Swift-Kayatta, Town Council; Carol Fritz, Town Council; Rebecca Millet, School Board; William DeSena; Matthew Sturgis, Town Assessor; Michael Duddy; Christy Rabasca; James Hanson; Bob Goettel; Kyle Parrish; Kevin Stilphen; Mary Anne Lynch, Town Council; Katherine Ray; Beverly Griffin; Cynthia Dill, Town Council; Rodney Voisine, M.D.; David Barber; Jennifer Duddy; Mary Kay Sells; David Griffin; Michael McGovern, Town Manager; Paul McKenney, Town Council; Linda Maule.

Guest: Larry Benoit, Citizens United

The Co-Chairs, Ms. Currier and Ms. McLaughlin, called the meeting to order and reviewed comments and questions from the previous meeting.

The Co-Chairs then introduced Mr. Benoit, who is a spokesperson for Citizen's United.

Mr. Benoit presented a twenty minute long power point presentation in opposition to the Taxpayer Bill of Rights. Mr. Benoit was presented with several questions during the presentation. As a result of the questions, Mr. Benoit's presentation extended for a total of approximately one hour. Mr. Benoit's complete power point presentation is currently shown online on the Town website.

The Co-Chairs thanked Mr. Benoit for his presentation.

Following Mr. Benoit's presentation, the Co-Chairs canvassed the Task Force members for questions they would like to explore at future meetings. Many questions were raised, and referred to Matt Sturgis for compilation. The Co-Chairs asked members to email any additional questions to Matt over the next 48 hours.

The Co-Chairs then discussed how to proceed, and decided to explore questions and answers among the Task Force members at the next meeting.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael A. Duddy

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