

**Cape Elizabeth Tax Cap Task Force
Meeting-8/31/04**

Steve Simonds called the meeting to order and called on Mike McGovern to comment on the Binder containing Executive Summary and all Source Documents. Mike presented two Binders (over 400 pages), explained how they were put together, and stated that one copy would be available for review or study at the town hall and the other at the Library or other suitable place. Other sources of information include Cape Web Site and Citizens United Web Site.

We then discussed the Loss of Local Control document prepared by Mary Ann Lynch, especially the 6th paragraph, which was considered too imperative for our committee purposes, and changes were suggested using "maybe" for "is", "should" instead of "As", "likely" instead of "will", etc. and stopping at the end of the first sentence. Finally, motion by Hare and second by Crane approved the document as amended. The article will appear in the Cape Currier and other copies made available for distribution.

Family Profiles were submitted by the Communications Committee. Much discussion followed. A motion to abandon this document and end all further discussion failed. We then advised Beth Currier to go ahead, taking into account the various comments made by our committee and to also include a 3rd Profile which would reflect an intermediate situation between the profiles now set up, ie, an average homeowner.

Updates or future findings --these would filter through Committee heads and be reported out as appropriate.

Responsibilities of committee members--to clearly indicate that you are speaking on your own behalf only, when volunteering personal opinions regarding "Palesky".

Prior to adjournment the Task Force members recognized and thanked all who worked diligently to produce the data requested and the final documents. The chairs thanked the members for their hard work, thoughtful analysis and the quality of their discussions.

Meeting adjourned with the understanding this is the last meeting of this committee unless or until reconvened at the request of the Chairs or Town Council.

Bob Crane