

## WHERE'S ALL THE MONEY GOING?

**“Why is the city spending money on this takeover when our children are attending classes in portable classroom units behind our city schools? There are far better ways that the city could be spending money.”** – Ken Ashcraft

“The business of government is operating a government, not a business.” – Wendy Theriault

**“I have never been one who has been comfortable with government entities running businesses...”** – Geri Boisvert

“If [the mayor and the aldermen] can't work together in a simple meeting, how can they work to maintain Pennichuck's excellent product?” – Donald Roussell

**“The funds being spent to take over the company would be better spent on schools and road repairs, just to mention a few items.”** – Betty Neilsen

“Bernie Streeter has lost any sense of objectivity and is squandering public funds on what appears to be a personal vendetta.” – Henry Perras

An estimated \$1.2 million dollars has been spent or committed by the city on consultants involved in the hostile takeover attempt of the water utility since the battle began. And potentially that much, or more, will need to be spent over the coming year.

Who are these consultants the city is paying with your money? The same ones who promoted a takeover attempt in Hampton. Remember what happened in Hampton? After being given all of the information they needed to make an informed decision, voters overwhelmingly shot down a warrant article aimed at allowing the board of selectmen to look into buying the water utility and voted out the Chairman of the Board Selectman, who proposed the warrant article.

Millions of taxpayer dollars are being wasted on consultants in an irresponsible effort at a hostile takeover to seize control of a respected and successful private enterprise. Couldn't these dollars be better spent on public education, public safety or public works?

When you visit [www.smartwater.org](http://www.smartwater.org), you can tell the city of Nashua it's time to resolve this debate and stop wasting taxpayer money.



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