

Minutes
Finance Committee
February 13, 2020

Meeting called to order at 7:00 PM by Dan Sherman

Present: Dennis Hogan, Dan Sherman, Peter McManama, Joe Bertrand, Doug Butler, Stefan Chase, Don Ravenelle, Evan Kenney, Gerard Leeman,

Not in Attendance: Joe Tringale, Brian Cusack, Jan DiGiambattista, Jim Sullivan and Joanne Reilly

Also in Attendance: Town Administrator Stephen P. Maio, Town Accountant Kevin Gill, Police Chief Steven Skory, Fire Chief Michael Sullivan, Emergency Management Director Tom Walsh, Superintendent of Schools Doug Lyons, School Business Manager Christine Bufagna, Town Council Chairman Edward Dombroski, School Committee Chairman Christopher Callanan and School Committee Vice Chair Amy Purcell.

- 1) Public Participation: None
- 2) Motion to approve minutes of the minutes for the January 30, 2020 meeting by Joe Bertrand
Seconded by Gerard Leeman and so voted.


- 3) The following FY2020 Budgets were presented:

Budget #16 – Police: Dan Sherman presented Joanne Reilly's overview of the Police Budget
It was noted that the Police budget as presented did not reflect any collective bargaining changes for Fiscal Year 2021

Budget #17 – Fire Department: Doug Butler presented an overview of the Fire Budget
It was noted that the Fire budget as presented did not reflect any collective bargaining changes for Fiscal Year 2021

Budget #19 – Emergency Management

- 4) Doug Lyons and Christine Bufagna presented an overview on the process surrounding the FY2021 School Department Proposed Budget. Peter McManama and Gerard Leeman updated the Finance Committee on the School Budget process to date. No Financial information was available. Some members of the Committee expressed concern regarding the overall sustainability of the Town in regard to expected increase in budgets and the limited amount of revenues.
- 5) Committee Comments:
Joe Bertrand provided an update on the Greenwood School Roof and capital planning for FY2021
- 6) Motion to adjourn at 9:05 P.M by Gerard Leeman seconded by Joseph Bertrand
and so voted.



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February 27, 2020

Meeting called to order at 7:08 PM by Jim Sullivan

Present: Dennis Hogan, Doug Butler, Stefan Chase, Don Ravenelle, Gerard Leeman, Jim Sullivan, Aimee Forsythe, and Joanne Reilly

Not in Attendance: Brian Cusack, Jan DiGiambattista, Dan Sherman (who participated by phone), Evan Kenney, Peter McManama and Joe Bertrand,

Also in Attendance: Town Administrator Stephen P. Maio, Town Accountant Kevin Gill, Building Inspector Jack Roberto, Library director Catherine McDonald, Retirement Department Director Cathy Cheek, IT Director Todd Bowden and Library Trustee Cindy Schatz

1) Public Participation: None

2) The following FY2021 Budgets were presented:

Budget 1.	Town Council (Don Ravenelle presented the subcommittee report)
Budget 2	Accounting (Don Ravenelle presented the subcommittee report)
Budget 3	IT (Stefan Chase presented the Subcommittee report)
Budget 20	Inspectional Services (Don Ravenelle presented the subcommittee report)
Budget 34	Library (Dan Sherman presented the Subcommittee report)
Budget 45	Retirement (Dan Sherman presented the Subcommittee report)

It was noted that the Supervisors Contract has yet to be settled for Fiscal Year 2021. The settlement will affect the IT and Inspectional Services budgets

3) Committee Comments:

Vice Chair Jim Sullivan welcomed Aimee Forsythe to the Committee.

Doug Butler wanted to know when the Roads Article (Bond) would be presented to Fincom and was assured that it would be presented in detail with the other articles.

Jim Sullivan stated that the DPW subcommittee had met with Director Conway and would be meeting again next week.

- 4) Motion to adjourn at 7:52 P.M by Gerard Leeman seconded by Dennis Hogan and so voted.

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March 12, 2020

Meeting called to order at 7:00 PM by Dan Sherman

Present: Dennis Hogan, Doug Butler, Stefan Chase, Don Ravenelle, Gerard Leeman, Jim Sullivan, Brian Cusack, Dan Sherman, Evan Kenney, Peter McManama and Joanne Reilly

Not in Attendance: Aimee Forsythe, Bill Boodry, Jan DiGiambattista, and Joe Bertrand,

Also in Attendance: Town Administrator Stephen P. Maio, Town Accountant Kevin Gill, John Spinello Insurance Consultant, DPW Director Joe Conway and Assistant Director Ann Waitt

1) Public Participation: None

2) The following FY2021 Budgets were presented:

Insurance- It was noted that the increase in this budget reflected the value of Town properties, increase in the number of Town vehicles and the addition of a cyber liability policy.

Workers Compensation- It was noted that our losses for this year are very low which could have a very positive effect on future budgets.

DPW- Director Joseph Conway presented the DPW, Snow and Ice, Water and Sewer budgets. Jim Sullivan and Dennis Hogan presented a report of the Subcommittee. Committee members noted the effects of the Collins study and the reclassification of the laborer's union positions and how that affected the budget. The board also discussed the assignment of expenses between Tax Levy, Water and Sewer accounts. It was also noted that the budget does not reflect any collective bargaining agreement for Fiscal Year 2021 for the Supervisors Union.

3) Approval of Minutes:

After a brief discussion on the general content of minutes. Gerard Leeman moved seconded by Evan Kenney to approve the minutes dated February 13, 2020 as amended. Motion passed unanimously.

Dennis Hogan motioned seconded by Jim Sullivan to approve the minutes dated February 27, 2020 as amended. Motion passed unanimously.

4) Committee Comments:

The Committee discussed the impact of the recent stock market reduction on the pension and OPEB fund balances.

Dan Sherman presented his forecast to the Committee. Concern was expressed by some members regarding the deficit spending forecasted for future years.

5) Motion to adjourn at 8:45 P.M by Gerard Leeman seconded by Jim Sullivan and so voted.

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