Minutes

Finance Committee

February 28, 2019

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

Present:, Dan Sherman, Jonathan Chines, Dennis Hogan, Joe Bertrand, Evan Kenney, Brian Cusack, Joanne Reilly, Gerard Leeman Rebecca Gilding, Doug Butler, Peter McManama, Jim Sullivan and Jan Digiambattista,

Not in Attendance: Morgan McCauley and Joe Tringale,

Also in Attendance: Town Administrator Stephen P. Maio, Town Accountant Kevin Gill, Library Director Catherine MacDonald, Todd Bowden Chief Information Officer, Jack Roberto Building Inspector, Cathy Cheek Retirement Manager.

- 1) Public Participation: None
- 2) Motion to approve minutes of the minutes for the February 14, 2019 meeting by Gerard Leeman Seconded by Joseph Bertrand and so voted.
- 3) The following FY2020 Budgets were presented:
 - 1) Budget #1- Town Council
 - 2) Budget #2 Accounting
 - 3) Budget #3 IT Department Brian Cusack and Peter McManama presented the report of the IT Subcommittee.
 - 4) Budget #20- Inspectional Services
 - 5) Budget #34 Library
 - 6) Budget #45 Retirement

Jonathan Chines and Jan Digiambattista presented a report of the Town Hall Subcommittee.

4) Committee Comments:

Dennis Hogan mentioned that the DPW Subcommittee was meeting next week as well as the WMGLD subcommittee was attending the WMGLD Meeting.

Peter McManama would like the Finance Committee to consider the current process of reviewing budgets and whether the Finance Committee should review before the Town Council and School Committee. Also, questioned whether a Charter Change should be considered to require the Finance Committee motion to be acted upon at Town Meeting.

A general discussion occurred around the Finance Committee's role in contract negotiations. Joe Bertrand motioned that the Finance Committee invite the School Committee to an executive session to discuss the current labor negotiations with the School Unions. This motion was seconded by Dan Sherman and voted unanimously.

5) Motion to adjourn at 8:29 by Gerard Leeman seconded by Jonathan Chines and so voted.