

Town of Sterling  
Finance Committee Meeting Minutes  
Butterick Municipal Building  
March 1, 2022

Finance Committee meeting called to order by Everett Heller at 6:17pm

**Fincom Attendees:** Everett Heller, Christina Lashua, Lynne Sheppard, Christopher Paquette

**Other Attendees:** Valerie Handy, Recording Secretary; Joe King, FinCom Applicant

**Absent:** Elizabeth Soutter, Finance Committee Member

**Approval of FinCom Minutes of February 17, 2022:** Motion by Chris Paquette, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Lynne Sheppard. Roll call vote unanimously supported.

**Approval of Joe King for Finance Committee Member:** Motion by Christina Lashua, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Lynne Sheppard. Joe entertained questions from the FinCom members as well as introducing himself. Joe has been a resident of Sterling for 35 years and has a solid background in managing goal-driven as well as financial deadlines for complex high-tech projects. The next step in the confirmation process will be to meet with the Select Board to confirm vote and then town clerk for swearing-in. Congratulations Joe!

**Updates to All-Boards Meeting scheduled March 5, 2022:** Butterick Windows request for \$136.3K will not be on this year's budget; it will be delayed until next cycle. FinCom will be looking for more information at the March 5 meeting regarding the \$160K Storage Building Request. Reminder that Town Warrants are due the third Friday in March and this year the date is March 18.

**Omnibus Budget:** The town is considering a land parcel purchase of \$41k currently under 61A status for which the town has 1<sup>st</sup> right of refusal for (120 days). FinCom is in discussion with the Select Board to establish a fund that would be used to purchase conservation land not restricted to the town budget/funding cycle.

**Next Meeting Date:** Monday, March 7, 6:00 p.m.

**Following Meeting Date:** Thursday, March 10

**Motion to Adjourn Finance Committee Meeting 7:30pm:** Motion by Christina Lashua, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Lynne Sheppard. Roll call vote unanimously supported.