

Finance Committee Meeting Minutes  
September 21, 2015  
Butterick Building, Room 205

Comment [1]:

**In Attendance:**

Joe Sova, Bob Brown, Barbara Bartlett, Cynthia Secord and Town Administrator Michael Szlosek  
Absent: Mary Cliett, Jerry Kokernak and Ed Sweet

The meeting was called to order at 6:04 PM.

**Approve Minutes of Prior Meeting:**

A motion to approve the minutes of the June 10, 2015 meeting was made by Barbara Bartlett and seconded by Cynthia Secord. All present were in favor and the motion carried.

**Discuss/Reappoint Member of Personnel Board:**

Weymouth Whitney presented to the Finance Committee seeking reappointment to the Personnel Board, indicating he would like to continue with unfinished business. He has been on the Board for two years. Cynthia Secord made a motion to reappoint Mr. Whitney, which was seconded by Bob Brown. All were in favor and the motion carried.

**Discuss/Vote Recommendations for 10/19/2015 Special Town Meeting Warrant Articles:**

**Article 1 - Appropriate Bond Premium to Reduce Borrowing for Senior Center:**

A recommendation of the Finance Committee to approve this article was made by Barbara Bartlett and seconded by Bob Brown. All were in favor, the motion carried.

**Article 2 - Appropriate Bond Premium to Reduce Borrowing for new Fire Engine:**

Cynthia Secord made a motion to recommend approval of this article. It was seconded by Barbara Bartlett. With all present in favor, the motion carried.

**Article 3 - Senior Center Operating Expenses:**

A motion to approve a recommendation to raise and appropriate the sum of \$16,500.00 to fund operating expenses for the Senior Center for Fiscal Year 2016 was made by Cynthia Secord and seconded by Barbara Bartlett. All were in favor and the motion carried.

**Article 4 - Senior Center Custodial Expenses:**

Barbara Bartlett made a motion that the Finance Committee recommend a vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,850.00 for Senior Center custodial expenses for Fiscal Year 2016. Bob Brown seconded and all were in favor. The motion carried.

**Article 5 - AMI Water Meter Upgrades:**

Barbara Bartlett made a motion to recommend passage of this article. It was seconded by Bob Brown. All were in favor and the motion carried.

**Article 6 - Fund DPW Loader:**

After discussion on this article with DPW Assistant Superintendent Chuck Ripa, a recommendation to either raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$30,736.69 in order to fund the first-year payment on a loader was made by Bob Brown and seconded by Cynthia Secord. All were in favor and the motion carried.

**Article 7 - Conservation Commission Trust Fund Reimbursement:**

A recommendation to support passage of this article was made by Cynthia Secord and seconded by Barbara Bartlett. With all in favor, the motion carried.

**Article 8 - Closeout of 19 Hardscrabble Road Article:**

After discussion, the Finance Committee made a recommendation not to support passage of this article as written. A recommendation to amend the article to return the sum of \$17,212.21 to the Stabilization Fund instead of the Conservation Commission Trust Fund was made by Cynthia Secord and seconded by Bob Brown. All were in favor and the motion carried.

**Article 9 - Board of Health Administrative Assistant:**

A motion to recommend passage of this article was made by Bob Brown and seconded by Barbara Bartlett. All were in favor and the motion carried.

**Adjourn:**

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Cynthia Secord and seconded by Barbara Bartlett. All were in favor and the meeting adjourned at 7:16 PM.