



FINANCE COMMITTEE

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April 05, 2006 Approved Minutes of the Finance Committee on Saturday, March 12, 2016

Wednesday, April 05, 2006

Public Meeting

Office of the Board of Selectmen

7:30 PM

Minutes

Public Meeting

The public meeting of the Finance Committee was called to order at 7:34 PM with the following

Finance Committee members present:

Bob Foley, Doris Metivier, Gary Murray, Don Davison (7:41 PM), Bill Hanley, Sue Robbins, Dharmesh Shah.

Finance Committee members absent:

Fred Churchill, Dave Ross

Discussions

Town Meeting of April 10, 2006

- The Grafton Board of Selectmen has decided that they will recommend passover of the Stonybrook article.

Warrant Articles

- Direction that is given to citizens who are requesting an avenue necessary for warrant article(s).
- Town Counsel should provide a legal document stating that this is not the proper use of funds for the Municipal.
- No updates for Perreault property.

Based on the evaluations, the price will exceed \$1.4 million and Sue Mills stated that the price will probably come down.

The Town would like the property due to the location adjacent to the Common.

Suggesting Senior Housing- a great Walk to the Common area.

Chapter 39 23 B Negotiations

- John Carlson, Sue Mills and Roger Hammond are present to discuss the Chapter 39 23B negotiations.

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Motion: Sue Robbins moved that the Finance Committee go into Executive Session.

Seconded: Bill Hanley.

Roll Call:

Doris Metivier

Sue Robbins

Don Davison

Dharmesh Shah

Gary Murray

Bob Foley

All in favor. Motion carries.

Executive Session opened at 7:48 PM.

In Attendance: Board of Selectmen, John Carlson, Sue Mills, Roger Hammond.

Board of Selectmen, John Carlson and Sue Mills committed to attending the negotiations for the Police.

- Started at a Standard package 9%
- Two points outstanding
- Wage increase
- Shift differential
- Increase per shift vs. 1st, 2nd and 3rd.
- 1.5 years ago
- Prove that the town is in compliance with the 28 day work schedule.

The letter was not acted on which put the town in serious jeopardy.

Considered a willful ignoring of this obligation.

- \$8,500.00 - \$10,000.00 x 3 years plus litigation costs.
- shift negotiation/shift differential
\$.69 2nd shift \$.92 3rd shift
- The Board of Selectmen supported the shift differential
\$1.5 every 6 months 1.5 \$1.5 3 year contract
- A little different contractual settlement.
- An Article will be necessary for settlement for shift differential will settle the lawsuit.
For hours worked only.
- An Article will be necessary for contractual payroll increase.
- This contracts kicks in for July 2005 salary
- Shift differential begins July 2006
- The job goes out to bid every 4 months.
- Run numbers for the entire staff.
- Retro is in the overlay fund for salaries.

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Motion: Sue Robbins moved that the Finance Committee close the executive session

Seconded: Bill Hanley

Roll call:

Bill Hanley

Doris Metivier

Sue Robbins

Don Davison

Dharmesh Shah

Gary Murray

Bob Foley

All in favor. Motion carries.

Executive Session closed at 8:22 PM.

Discussion Topics

- Sue Robbins stated that a member of the Board of Selectmen vs. Chief Executive Officer. may want to negotiate for Teacher contracts.
- New Town Administrator will begin April 24th.

Spring Town Meeting

***** 1st article Pay the Hennessy II property through an article

2nd article to create a Stabilization fund to fund other land purchasing projects.

3rd. General Stabilization Fund

Unclassified and FICA are the increases adequate?

Ask this question of the Board of Assessors

FY07 salary will be a Step 7 same grade okay

General consensus of the Finance Committee is

If the transaction is done correctly and the FY07 budget indicates a step increase.

Board of Selectmen

Schooling

- Add \$4,500.00 to the schooling
- Roger Hammond will get a vote from the Board of Selectmen.

Town Administrator

- Vehicle \$3,600
- \$5,000 deferred comp
- \$500 term life
- \$800 disability
- Communications to \$816.00
- Dues and memberships \$360.00 total
 - \$115 .00
 - \$120.00
 - \$125.00

Total Board of Selectmen \$162,101.00

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Finance Committee

Finance

- General consensus for need for meals for Saturday meetings in the amount of \$100.00 per Saturday
- Supplies will be \$300.00
- Office Supplies \$3,699.00
- Dues and memberships \$41.00
- Total Finance Committee \$11,455.00

Other Topics

- Assessor is all set
- Treasurer would like a part time clerk
- Legal Counsel
- Cable
- Equipment and supplies
- Is this line item necessary?
- Voting if necessary

South Grafton Community House

- Needs Fire alarm system in the amount of \$3,600.00
- Tenants cannot use the building until the system is put in.
- Roger Hammond is suggesting that the CPC funds.
- Don Davison suggests that an article on the Special be placed to
- From Free Cash into the Reserve fund for the South Grafton Community House.
- Unclassified
- Close to 400 employees
- Decrease in Health Insurance
- 6.9% increase which is a savings of \$178,992.35
- Vote will be next week.

Police budget discussion.

- Hold this line.
- Overtime discussion.
- Need for an additional \$10,000.00.
- May be a warrant article.

Snow and Ice

- Increase Snow and Ice for FY07
- Current number for FY06 is \$222,223.34; over by \$99,223.34
- It can be funded by recap sheet (which is to place it onto the FY07 taxes and ½ to fund with free cash.

Streetlighting

Approx. \$50.00 per light per year.

Streets usually are approved at the October Town Meeting.

Veterans Services

Would like to keep the budget as the same.

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Adjournment:

Motion: Doris Metivier moved that the public meeting of the Finance Committee adjourn.

Seconded: Bill Hanley. All in favor. Motion carries.

The public meeting of the Finance Committee adjourned at 10:26 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan M. Fiacco