

## **FINANCE COMMITTEE**

### **Minutes**

**March 9, 2017**

Regular meeting of the Finance Committee was held on Thursday, March 9, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. at the Department of Public Works Facility, 1385 Washington Street with the following members present: D. Bruce, J. Denneen, J. Burke, R. Nottebart, S. Lawson, M. Trudell, P. Hinton, J. Vaillancourt, A. Healy, P. Stasiukevicius, J. Leith, and T. Bowen. Members absent were: R. Mariani, K. Guyette and E. Barmakian. Also in attendance was Town Administrator J. Johnson, Finance Director M. Thompson and Town Accountant J. Cuneo, Fire Chief T. Bailey, Deputy Police Chief C. Mackenzie, DPW Director R. O'Brien, Superintendent of Water and Sewer R. Mattson, Superintendent of Buildings D. Anderson, Building Inspector D. Norton, Superintendent of Vehicle Maintenance Perciaccante, Vice-Chairman of Capital Budget S. Ober.

6:30 p.m. – Finance Committee Members toured the present DPW Vehicle Maintenance Facility as it relates to Article 21 of the May 1, 2017 Spring Annual Town Meeting, the designing and constructing a Vehicle Maintenance Garage at the DPW Facility.

7:10 p.m. The Committee adjourn the meeting to the Lunch Room at the DPW Facility.

### **May 1, 2017 Spring Annual Town Meeting Warrant**

#### **Articles 17, 18, 19 and 20 – Capital Budget**

Speaking to these articles was S. Ober, Vice Chairman of Capital Budget along with Finance Committee Representative to Capital Budget J. Burke.

Finance Committee had previously voted Articles 5, 6, 14, 15 and 16 on March 2, 2017

#### **Article 17 – Capital Infrastructure Improvements**

**Parks Department** – High Risk Tree Inventory and Removal, Synthetic Turf Replacement Account, Re-striping of WHS Track, Town Forest pathway Improvements.

**Highway Department** – Town wide chain link fence repairs (High School and Woodward Playground).

**Building Maintenance** – Sprinkler nitrogen system, ceiling replacement at various schools

**Emergency Management** - OPR Antenna relocation

**MOTION MADE** by T. Bowen, Seconded by J. Denneen for Favorable Action on Article 17 in the amount of \$209,000 from Free Cash, Motion Passed (12-0-0) (12 voting)

**Article 18 – Capital Equipment Purchase**

**Fire Department** - Replace 2012 ambulance & equipment, replace 2011 command vehicle.

**Police Department** – Unmarked squad car, Vericom traffic reconstruction equipment, hand held lidar units and firearms

**Highway Department** – Kubota mini-excavator

**Vehicle Maintenance** – Replacement of vehicles ( #424 Loader, replace #553 Ford Ranger, and replace #329Ford Utility)

**Parks Department** – Replacement of mower, purchase underground moisture sensors and rotary cutting deck attachment

**School Department** – Technology, replacement of phone system

**Inspectional Services** – Permitting software.

**MOTION MADE** by J. Denneen, Seconded by R. Nottebart for Favorable Action on Article 18 in the amount of \$1,321,950 to be funded from the following fund sources: \$312,750-Ambulance Fund, \$450,000-Borrowing and \$559,200 from Free Cash, Motion Passed (12-0-0) (12 voting) Unanimous

**Article 19 – Streets/Sidewalks**

Requested \$125,000 (\$35,000 for crack seal, \$15,000 for catch basin repair and \$75,000 for parking lot improvements for a total of \$125,000).

**MOTION MADE** by T. Bowen, Seconded by J. Denneen for Favorable Action on Article 19 in the amount of \$125,000 to be funded from Free Cash, Motion Passed (12-0-0) (12 voting) Unanimous

**Article 20 – Street & Sidewalk Improvements**

\$200,000 being requested for various street & sidewalk improvements including Gould , Mylod, Willett Streets, Deerfield Drive and various parking lots.

**MOTION MADE** by R. Nottebart, Seconded by J. Denneen for Favorable Action on Article 20 in the amount of \$200,000 from Borrowing, Motion Passed (12-0-0) (12 voting) Unanimous

**Scheduled Meetings**

March 13, 2017

**Adjourn:**

**MOTION MADE** by J. Denneen, Seconded by S. Lawson to adjourn the meeting at 8:20 p.m., Motion Passed (12-0-0) (12 voting) Unanimous

Respectfully submitted,

Clare P. Abril  
Clerk