

TOWN OF NORTON

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FINANCE COMMITTEE

Municipal Center – Selectmen's Conference Room

APRIL 23, 2018 7:00 P.M.

MINUTES

I. 7:00 P.M. Call to Order

The April 23, 2018 meeting of the Finance Committee was held in the Board of Selectmen's Room and was called to order beginning with the Pledge of Allegiance at 7:00 P.M., by Mr. Richard Dorney, Chairman.

Members Present:

Mr. Peter Carignan, Mr. Tom DeLuca, Mr. Walter Eykel, Mr. Paul Helmreich, Mr. William Rotondi, Ms Aimee Sawyer, Mr. Aaron Smith, and Bonnie Yezukevich.

Absent: Mr. Steven Evans, Mr. Mike Fiore,

Also in attendance was Mr. Yunits, Town Manager

II. New Business

Mr. Yunits stated that the Council on Aging Center's refrigerator is not working and requesting \$513.00 from the Operating Budget to purchase a new one. There is currently a balance of \$120,150.00.

Motion made by Mr. DeLuca to move funds from Reserve to # 001-541-570-5420 for \$513.00. Second by Mr. Carignan Unanimous

a. Review, Discuss, and Vote Special Town Meeting Articles to include but not necessarily limited to:

Water and Sewer

STM Article #8 - seeking additional funds for W. Main St. Sewer Project

Mr. Grant from the Water & Sewer Department introduced a representative from Weston & Sampson to speak about how the initial plan for this project actally made the problems worse.

Additionally, the boring showed that additional depth is needed to place the pipes in the ground due to unforeseen rock and ledge. There is a new plan drawn up due to the problems discovered during the second portion of the project. The project is now in need of an additional \$880,000, bringing the total cost to \$4.8 million. The town will still be getting \$1.16 Million from the state (DHCD) to help with the final cost.

There was further discussion between Finance Committee and representatives as to the additional costs, how they occurred, and how to keep them under control.

Mr. DeLuca made a motion to adjourn the regular Finance Committee meeting to open the Public Hearing at 7:30.

Second by Mr. Smith

Unanimous

Reopen the regular meeting with the continuation of the Water and Sewer Article #8 discussion at 7:35.

Mr. Deluca made a motion to approve Article 8 to add an additional \$880,000 to the project.

Second by Mr. Rotondi

Unanimous

b. Review, Discuss, and Vote Annual Town Meeting articles

<u>Article # 16</u> – There were some errors in the article referring to Seniors instead of Veterans. These have been corrected.

Mr. Helmreich motion made to recommend Article #16

Mr. DeLuca seconded

Unanimous

Article #17 – Mr. Yunits responded to questions asked at a prior meeting. The 3% tax is on recreational Marijuana.

Mr. DeLuca motion made to recommend Article #17

Mr. Helmreich seconded

Unanimous

Article #18 - Parks and Recreation person needs a classification to be put in the wage and salary plan.

Mr. Helmreich motion made to recommend Article #18

Mr. DeLuca seconded

Unanimous

Article #19 - This will amend the Storm Water Bylaw to seek criminal fines up to \$300 per violation.

Mr. Helmreich motion made to recommend Article #19

Mr. DeLuca seconded

Unanimous

III. 7:30 P.M. Public Hearing - FY19 Operating Budget

Chairman opened the Public Hearing at 7:30 P.M. asking for any comments.

Mr. Carignan made a motion to conclude the Public Hearing at 7:35

Second by Mr. DeLuca

Unanimous

IV. Old Business

V. Open session for topics not reasonably anticipated 48 hours in advance

VI. Review and approval of Minutes

Minutes from April 9, 2018

Mr. Carignan made a motion to accept minutes with corrections

Second made

8 for 0 against 1 abstain

Minutes from April 11, 2018

Mr. Smith made a motion to accept minutes with corrections

Second made

Unanimous

VII. Adjournment

Mr. DeLuca made a motion to adjourn the meeting

Mr. Helmreich seconded

Unanimous

Respectively submitted by: Sichard F. Sorney May 20 2019
Richard Dorney, Finance Committee Chair Date Approved

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