

Finance Committee Meeting
October 20, 2014
6:00 PM
Norton High School Cafeteria – Prior to Town Meeting

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Present: Chair, Peter Carignan; Vice-Chair, Stephen Evans; Thomas DeLuca; Michael Fiore; Paul Helmreich; William Rotondi; Lee Tarantino.
Also present: Town Manager, Michael Yunits.

Absent: Richard Dorney (late arrival); Jackie Desrochers; Michael Flaherty; Michael Thomas.

Call to Order

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm. The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

I. Approval of Minutes

Minutes were not reviewed at this meeting.

II. New Business

A discussion was had to the amount of notice that townspeople should have on the dollar amounts included in warrant articles. Mr. Bill Gouveia, Town Moderator, suggested that the Finance Committee give "possible" amounts in the comments section of the warrant article so that the townspeople are not surprised. Mr. Evans agreed, saying that new information should not be presented on town meeting night.

III. Old Business

Article 1 – Unpaid Bills:

Motion was made by Mr. DeLuca to reconsider Article 1. Seconded by Mr. Tarantino. Vote: All in favor.
Motion carries.

Mr. Yuntis explained that 2 additional bills need to be included in this article: \$22,525 under Miscellaneous for an audit for Worker's Compensation, and \$80.04 under Schools for a Verizon bill.

Motion was made by Mr. DeLuca to recommend Article 1 in the new amount of \$24,407.51. Seconded by Mr. Tarantino. Vote: 6 in favor, with Mr. Evans opposed. **Motion carries.**

Article 2 – Collective Bargaining Agreement:

Motion was made by Mr. DeLuca to reconsider Article 2. Seconded by Mr. Carignan. Vote: All in favor.
Motion carries.

Mr. Yunits explained that a new agreement with the Fire Department has been signed.

Motion was made by Mr. DeLuca to recommend Article 2 in the amount of \$86,568, coming from Free Cash. Seconded by Mr. Tarantino. Vote: All in favor. **Motion carries.**

Article 6 – FY15 Water/Sewer Enterprise Budget Amendment:

Motion was made by Mr. DeLuca to reconsider Article 6. Seconded by Mr. Carignan. Vote: All in favor.
Motion carries.

Mr. Yunits explained that the re-vote would add \$270K in revenue to the W/S budget and would increase the Charges and Expenditures by \$270K.

It was noted that the agreed upon fee happens to match construction costs.

Motion was made by Mr. DeLuca to recommend Article 6 in the amount of \$1,308,479. Seconded by Mr. Tarantino. Vote: All in favor. **Motion carries.**