

Select Board

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Select Board and Finance Committee Joint Meeting Minutes Meeting via Zoom February 22, 2021

Open Meeting

Quorum present: Roger Kavanagh, Select Board Chair, Eric Shimelonis and Kathleen Keresey, Select Board Members, and Marie Ryan, Town Administrator. Finance Committee: Bob Salerno, Frank Landsberger, Andrew Krouss and Dan Buehler.

Others Present: Curt Wilton, Public Works Director, Elaine Markham, Town Accountant and Beth Sack, Library Trustee.

Roger called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

Roger stated all who were in attendance. The purpose of the meeting is for the Finance Committee to review the FY22 Budget request for General Government and all departments other than Police, DPW and Fire.

Marie explained the history of the Town Counsel line item has been \$18,000 for the past 5 years. The expended amount for this line item has been between \$18,000 and \$25,000 every year. The increased requested budget amount is \$25,000 to insure a more accurate budget.

Bob Salerno asked Marie to review the Special Articles.

- -New Copier The current Town Hall copier is used by everyone and is over 10 years old. The parts for this copier are no longer available for repairs.
- -New Phone System in Town Hall—The current phone system is the original phone system put in place when the Town Hall was renovated. This system is no longer compatible with the new technology of the Town Hall computer server and needs to be upgraded.
- -Fire Chief New Vehicle The Town will be sharing the cost of a new vehicle for the Fire Chief with Richmond.

Curt discussed the last two special articles, the DPW Large Plow Truck and the East Alford Road/Cobb Road resurfacing project.

-DPW Large Plow Truck – The current large plow truck is 10 years old and has needed expensive repairs over the past two years. Curt intends on keeping this truck as a backup.

-East Alford Road/Cobb Road Resurfacing Project – Curt received a letter from Mass DOT confirming certification of \$151,282 from Chapter 90 money. There is a remaining balance of approximately \$30,000 from this past year's Chapter 90 money to use towards this project.

Andrew Krouss made a motion to adjourn at 7:04 PM, Dan Buehler seconded. Roll call vote:

Eric, Yes Roger, Yes Kathleen, Yes Bob, Yes Andrew, Yes Frank, Yes Dan, Yes

Motion Passed.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Marie U. Ryan Town Administrator