FINANCE COMMITTEE

Minutes

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Date: April 9, 2018

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Present: Noonan, Kupcinskas, Kennedy, O'Connell, Cofske, Kuphal

Absent: Khalife

Meeting called to order at 7:05 p.m.

Motioned by Kupcinskas, seconded by Noonan to accept the minutes of April 2, 2018 as written. Unanimous.

Scott Despres, BOS, and Kaye Peltier, COA were in at 7:00 p.m.

Jen O'Connell: We won't have the paragraph at the end of the budget until Wednesday. Dave wants me to send him and Andrew a copy of what I am requesting.

Article 3-Paving or Repaving Public Ways-1.1 Million

Motioned by Kupcinskas, seconded by Noonan to recommend that the sum of \$1,100,000 be raised, appropriated or borrowed for the purposes of Article 3. Unanimous.

Kaye Peltier: Is it necessary to include the borrowing mechanism in case a BAN is not what Dave is doing?

Jen O'Connell: I will ask Dave about it.

Article 4-Capital Improvement Projects

Jen O'Connell: I know that Jayne mentioned that we could vote this in one motion. How does everyone feel about this?

Albert Kupcinskas: I think we should talk about all of them and vote them individually.

Scott Despres: There is a list of about 75 items that were requested for Capital Improvements. This list was dwindled down. The Board of Selectmen is not involved in what ends up on the Warrant for Capital Items. I wouldn't spend too much time haggling over these items. This list is what the Committee came up with as far as what is needed the most.

A. Town Hall Roof-\$20,000

Steve Noonan: We shouldn't be paying anything for the roof. It was just replaced.

Jen O'Connell: Since I started on the Committee, there have been issues with the roof.

Dave Cofske: Can we have them check on the warranty before we spend the money on the roof? We should also make sure that there will be a warranty on the new roof.

Albert Kupcinskas: I agree with that.

Steve Noonan: If there is no warranty on the existing roof, I would question it.

Jen O'Connell: I agree that they need a new roof.

Motioned by O'Connell, seconded by Kupcinskas to recommend that Twenty Thousand Dollars be transferred from Free Cash for the purpose of funding this article. O'Connell, Kupcinskas, Kennedy, Kuphal for. Cofske, Noonan against.

B. MOB/Library Phones-\$18,000

Motioned by O'Connell, seconded by Kupcinskas to recommend that \$18,000 be transferred from Free Cash for the purpose of funding this article. Unanimous.

C. School-Operational/Capital-\$100,000

Jen O'Connell: I received a text from the School Department concerning the additional money for the COA and the Asa Waters. They thought that this was coming from the School budget. I assured her that this was not the case.

Dave Cofske: There were many areas that we looked at where they could have tightened up, based on what was actually spent in those line items.

Jen O'Connell: I heard that they are tightening up their budget.

Motioned by O'Connell, seconded by Kupcinskas to recommend that \$100,000 be transferred from Free Cash for the purpose of this article. Cofske opposed, rest for.

D. School-Truck or bus-\$55,000

Jen O'Connell: The DPW has a sander that they can give to the School. The School needs a truck to put the sander in. I don't know which way the School will go as far as getting a truck or if they will opt for the bus.

Motioned by O'Connell, seconded by Kupcinskas to recommend that \$55,000 be transferred from Free Cash for the purpose of this article. Unanimous.

E. Paving Program-\$180,000

Motioned by O'Connell, seconded by Kupcinskas to recommend that \$180,000 be transferred from Free Cash for the purpose of this article. Unanimous.

F. Road Projects-\$260,000

Motioned by O'Connell, seconded by Kupcinskas to recommend that \$260,000 be transferred from Free Cash for the purpose of this article. Unanimous.

G. TIP Project-\$250,000

Motioned by O'Connell, seconded by Kupcinskas to recommend that \$250,000 be transferred from Free Cash for the purpose of this article. Unanimous.

H. Roll Off Trailer-\$100,000

Jen O'Connell: We will hold off on this and I will send an e-mail to Keith to have him explain it a little more.

Lease of Vehicles-\$158,000

Steve Noonan: How many vehicles does this include?

Jen O'Connell: This is a 5-year lease to own on 3 vehicles.

Scott Despres: I thought this was for 4 vehicles. We didn't have much detail on this when it was asked at the Board of Selectmen meeting.

Jen O'Connell: We will hold on voting this until our next meeting.

J. Highway Garage Generator-\$50,000

Jen O'Connell: We can vote on this one at our next meeting. I will ask if this is for just the pumps or if it is for the entire facility.

K. Slope Mower-\$10,000

Jen O'Connell: We require this for the Transfer Station and the Ramshorn Dam. We have been leasing one twice a year.

Scott Despres: I don't think you are required to "sell" the items that you are voting on. That is the responsibility of the petitioner.

Jen O'Connell: We normally put in a reason for the way that we voted an item.

Motioned by O'Connell, seconded by Kupcinskas to recommend that \$10,000 be transferred from Free Cash for the purpose of funding this article. Unanimous.

L. Turnout Decontamination Gear Washer and Dryer/Fire Dept.-\$28,000

Motioned by O'Connell, seconded by Kupcinskas to recommend that \$28,000 be transferred from Free Cash for the purpose of funding this article. Unanimous.

M. Police Repeater-\$20,000

Motioned by O'Connell, seconded by Kupcinskas to recommend that \$20,000 be transferred from Free Cash for the purpose of funding this article. Unanimous.

N. Police Cruiser-\$40,000

Motioned by O'Connell, seconded by Kupcinskas to recommend that \$40,000 be transferred from Free Cash for the purpose of funding this article. Unanimous.

O. Kings' System-Town Clerk-\$31,000

Motioned by O'Connell, seconded by Kupcinskas to recommend that \$31,000 be transferred from Free Cash for the purpose of funding this article. Unanimous.

P. Library-HVAC-\$21,000

Steve Noonan: There is a town-wide HVAC contractor. Why isn't the Library using them? Dave Marciello: I was under the impression that everyone used the same company.

Motioned by O'Connell, seconded by Kupcinskas to recommend that \$21,000 be transferred from Free Cash for the purpose of funding this article. Unanimous.

Q. Library-Roof-\$10,000

Motioned by O'Connell, seconded by Kupcinskas to recommend that \$10,000 be transferred from Free Cash for the purpose of funding this article. Unanimous.

R. Woolie World Repair and Renovation-\$30,000

Jen O'Connell: This seems like a lot of money. It is going to be a tough sell at Town Meeting. Steve Noonan: They spent a lot of money renovating a couple of years ago.

Motioned by O'Connell, seconded by Kupcinskas to recommend that \$30,000 be transferred from Free Cash for the purpose of funding this article. Unanimous.

S. Assessing Software Upgrade Vision v8-\$20,000

Jen O'Connell: We will hold on this until our next meeting.

Article 5-PEG Access and Cable Related Fund

Motioned by O'Connell, seconded by Kupcinskas to recommend that Two Hundred Thirty Nine Thousand Nine Hundred Ninety One Dollars and No Cents (\$239,991.00) be transferred from the PEG Access and Cable Related Fund for the purpose of funding this article. Unanimous.

Motioned by O'Connell, seconded by Kupcinskas to recommend that Twenty Thousand Dollars and Zero Cents (\$20,000.00) be raised and appropriated for the purpose of Article 13. Unanimous.

Article 14-Industrial Development Finance Authority

Motioned by O'Connell, seconded by Kupcinskas to recommend that action on Article 14 be deferred to the Town Manager. Unanimous.

Article 15-Expansion of the Cemetery

Motioned by O'Connell, seconded by Kupcinskas to recommend that Fifty Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$50,000.00) be transferred from the Cemetery Lots Fund for the purpose of Article 15. Unanimous.

Article 16-Accept MGL Concerning Speed Limits

Motioned by O'Connell, seconded by Kupcinskas to recommend that action on Article 16 be deferred to the Chief of Police. Unanimous.

Article 17-Board of Assessors-Reauthorization of Funds for Revaluations

Motioned by O'Connell, seconded by Kupcinskas to recommend that Article 17 be accepted as written. Unanimous.

Article 18-Marijuana Local Sales Tax

Motioned by O'Connell, seconded by Kupcinskas to recommend that Article 18 be accepted as written. Unanimous.

Article 19-To Accept MGL Concerning Real Property

Motioned by O'Connell, seconded by Kupcinskas to recommend that Article 19 be accepted as written. Unanimous.

Article 20-Solar Energy

Motioned by O'Connell, seconded by Kupcinskas to recommend that action on Article 20 be deferred to the Town Manager. Unanimous.

Article 21-School Bus Contracts

Motioned by O'Connell, seconded by Kupcinskas to recommend that action on Article 21 be accepted as written. Unanimous.

Article 22-Town Beach

Motioned by O'Connell, seconded by Kupcinskas to recommend that action on Article 22 be deferred to the Conservation Commission. Unanimous.

Article 23-Revolving Account Expanded Limits

Motioned by O'Connell, seconded by Kupcinskas to recommend that Article 23 be accepted as written. Unanimous.

Article 24-Amendment of General By-law/Financial Management Revolving Funds

Motioned by O'Connell, seconded by Kupcinskas to recommend that Article 24 be accepted as written. Unanimous.

Article 25-Acceptance of Jessica J Drive

Motioned by O'Connell, seconded by Kupcinskas to recommend that action on Article 25 be deferred to the Planning Board. Unanimous.

Article 26- Acceptance of Rollie Shepard Drive

Motioned by O'Connell, seconded by Kupcinskas to recommend that action on Article 26 be deferred to the Planning Board. Unanimous.

Article 27-Acceptance of Bill Graham Lane

Motioned by O'Connell, seconded by Kupcinskas to recommend that action on Article 27 be deferred to the Planning Board. Unanimous.

Article 28-District Regulations Section 26.15

Motioned by O'Connell, seconded by Kupcinskas to recommend that action on Article 28 be deferred to the Planning Board. Unanimous.

Article 29-Section 52-Recreational and Medical Marijuana Establishments

Motioned by O'Connell, seconded by Kupcinskas to recommend that action on Article 29 be deferred to the Planning Board. Unanimous.

Article 30-Administration and Procedure Section 14.11

Motioned by O'Connell, seconded by Kupcinskas to recommend that action on Article 30 be deferred to the Planning Board. Unanimous.

Article 31-Special Regulations Section 48.3

Motioned by O'Connell, seconded by Kupcinskas to recommend that action on Article 31 be deferred to the Planning Board. Unanimous.

Article 32-District Regulations 26.22

Motioned by O'Connell, seconded by Kupcinskas to recommend that action on Article 32 be deferred to the Planning Board. Unanimous.

Article 33-Zoning By-Laws, Article 5. Definitions

Motioned by O'Connell, seconded by Kupcinskas to recommend that action on Article 33 be deferred to the Planning Board. Unanimous.

Article 34-Special Regulations Striking Section 53

Motioned by O'Connell, seconded by Kupcinskas to recommend that action on Article 34 be deferred to the Planning Board. Unanimous.

Article 35-Special Regulations Section 53.3

Motioned by O'Connell, seconded by Kupcinskas to recommend that action on Article 35 be deferred to the Planning Board. Unanimous.

Article 36-Override Concerning the School Operating Budget

Jen O'Connell: I think we should hold on voting this. The School Department is going to discuss this at their meeting on Wednesday.

Article 37-Southwest Cutoff Zoning Amendment

Motioned by O'Connell, seconded by Kupcinskas to recommend that action on Article 37 be deferred to the Planning Board. Unanimous.

Jen O'Connell: Should we actually be deferring to the petitioner?

Dave Marciello: You can do that. Then they can get up at Town Meeting and explain it to the voters.

Motioned by O'Connell, seconded by Kupcinskas to reconsider the previous vote. Unanimous. Motioned by O'Connell, seconded by Kupcinskas to recommend that action on Article 37 be deferred to the petitioner. Unanimous.

Article 38-PILOT Agreement

West P. Rupeurshu

Motioned by O'Connell, seconded by Kupcinskas to recommend that action on Article 38 be deferred to the petitioner. Unanimous.

Jen O'Connell: We will finish up on the voting of the Warrant and the Budget on Wednesday. We will also have the Special Town Meeting Warrant, which the Selectmen will be approving tomorrow night, to vote on.

Kaye Peltier: I don't understand why more people aren't at your meetings. So many questions could be answered before Town Meeting if they came to your meetings. I come in support of the COA and have a better understanding on how things are voted on, since coming to your meetings.

The next Finance Committee meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, April 11, 2018 at 6:30 p.m.

Motioned by Kupcinskas, seconded by Noonan to adjourn at 8:45 p.m. Unanimous.