



Town of Uxbridge, Massachusetts Finance Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: March 24, 2009

Place: BOS Meeting Room

Present:

Ed Maharay		Howard Fortner	P	Peter DeMers	P
Christine Horwath	P	Richard Young	P	Mark Andrews	P

Call to Order: 7:00 PM –

1. Public Hearing for the Spring Annual Town

Motion/Second/Discussion/Vote

Motion	Motion to open the public hearing for the SATM				
1st	MWA	2nd	CH	Vote	5-0-0

Article 1 Reports

HF suggested the School Building Committee should review the present status at TM.

Article 22 Appropriation to fund.

Petitioner Ellen Duprey discussed reason for article. She believed she was overcharged \$1,4222.03 plus interest of \$358.91(8%) for a total of \$1,780.94. These values were calculated by the Town. The assessor adjusted the amount for FY09 year. This is the only method to address multi-year assessment errors.

Article 18 Establish Revolving Fund for Pout Pond

Fund designed to accept fees for usage of Pout Pond facilities. This article establishes the fund which will be managed by the Conservation Committee.

Article 14 Adopt Ch 137 of the Acts of 2003

Article is designed to provide Town employees who are deployed the difference between their Town pay and their military pay. The assessment will come from the department budget. There is no way to project future cost this article. The committee questioned if the article includes back pay to 9/11/2001.

Action Item	Finance Director to investigate & report back to committee 1) Would this article be retroactive 2) If so, what is cost of retroactive pay
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Article 13 Regional Economic Council.

The BOS signed an agreement that they would present to the community the request to fund an 11 Town Regional Economic Council sponsored by the Blackstone Chamber of Commerce. The cost of Town's participation would be around \$12K/year for three years.

Article 12 Special Legislation.

This article is designed to establish a cable fund enterprise fund. This fund would accept monies received from the cable contract. There were discussions on whether this is truly an enterprise.

Motion/Second/Discussion/Vote

Motion	Motion to continue the public hearing for the SATM to March 25, 2009				
1st	MWA	2nd	PD	Vote	5-0-0

2) SATM Article Votes

Motion/Second/Discussion/Vote

Motion	Motion for <u>favorable</u> action on Article 22 - Appropriation to fund				
1st	PD	2nd	CH	Vote	5-0-0

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Motion	Motion for <u>favorable</u> action on Article 18 - Revolving Fund for Pout Pond				
1st	MWA	2nd	PD	Vote	5-0-0

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Motion	Motion for <u>unfavorable</u> action on Article 13 - Regional Economic Council.				
1st	PD	2nd	RY	Vote	5-0-0

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Motion	Motion for <u>favorable</u> action on Article 12 - Special Legislation.				
1st	PD	2nd	MWA	Vote	3-2-0

3) Old Business

- The Finance Director commented there was \$116K left in Town & School building maintenance accounts.
- HF mentioned we may have to adjust SATM in reference to the dates of the School Meeting budget hearings.

4) New Business

The Chair discussed several questions/comments he received from discussions with citizens.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion/Second/Discussion/Vote

Motion	Motion to adjourn				
1st	MWA	2nd	CH	Vote	5-0-0