



Town of Uxbridge, Massachusetts Finance Committee Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: September 29, 2020

Place: Virtual/Remote

Attendance: Present or Absent

Peter DeMers - Chair	P	Jennifer Kurzon - Vice Chair	P	Russ Tahmoush	A
Lance Anderson	P	Bill Kessler - Clerk	P	Pat Hannon*	P

*PH joined at 6:12

Call to Order: 6:05 pm

Welcome to new member Jennifer Kurzon

Motion	Appoint Jennifer Kurzon Vice Chair				
1st	LA	2nd	BK	Vote	4-0-0
Roll Call Vote: Yea: PD, WK, JK, LA					

Motion	Appoint Bill Kessler Clerk				
1st	PD	2nd	JK	Vote	5-0-0
Roll Call Vote: Yea: PD, WK, JK, LA, PH					

- FC discussed meeting minutes and possible hire of person to take and manage minutes
- Vice Chair Kurzon agrees for the current year to take all Committee notes in place of Clerk Kessler.

Motion	Approve Meeting Minutes of October 3, 2019				
1st	WK	2nd	PD	Vote	3-0-2
Roll Call Vote: Yea: PD, PH, WK Abstain: JK, LA					

Motion	Approve Meeting Minutes of July 21, 2019				
1st	PD	2nd	LA	Vote	2-0-3
Roll Call Vote: Yea: PD, LA Abstain: WK, JK, PH					

Joint meeting with the Board of Selectmen

Present:

Steven Sette, Town Manager

Ed Maharay, Town Moderator

Michelle Laramée, Town Accountant

Mark Montminy, Police Chief

6:30 pm - Open Public Hearing for Fall Annual Town Meeting October 27, 2020 Warrant Articles

Town Manger indicates Warrant comprised of 16 Articles including 3 Citizens Petitions, and 2 related to zoning.

Article 1 – Transfer to Stabilization

- FC Chair highlighted the need to review the composition of the current Stabilization balance
- Town Accountant Michelle Laramée stated the current stabilization amount (\$5,067,192.13) is free cash from the prior two fiscal years
- Town Accountant will verify if the Marijuana Community Impact Fee needs to go into separate account and if there are any restrictions regarding how the funds are spent

Article 6 – Establish Drug Awareness Task Force

- Chief of Police discussed what activities are presently in place, which have been done without any dedicated funding
- Discussion about how the \$5000 sought is going to be used
- Proposed task force activities to be included in the article description

Article 7 – Employee Compensation Study

- Last study was done was 5 years ago
- Town Manager explained the necessity for the study, including limiting employee turnover, making the Town more competitive, illustrating worth of all positions, including benefits package
- Fin Com Chair expressed the need to have annual employee reviews conducted at every level

Article 8 – Lease of Surplus Property-59 Hazel Street

- Held over to next meeting on 9/30/2020
- Town Manager to provide further information related to this Article, clarification of certain items and request to Michael Gallerani, Uxbridge Economic Development and Community Planning, to be present at the next meeting.

Article 11 – Grant of Easement: West River Pump Station-145 Hecla Street

- Town Manager discussed easement location including erection of 1 new pole and content of easement document
- Held over to next meeting on 9/30/2020

8:25 pm - Continue Public Hearing to September 30, 2020 at 6:30 pm

Old Business

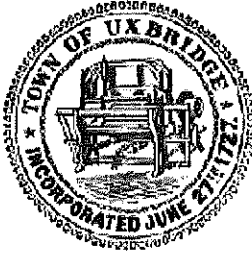
None

New Business

Discussion of MA AG indictment of former Town Accountant. Discussed outside financial audit that was conducted and its status as well as hiring of counsel to represent Town. Agreed this needs to be completed: Chair will email Town Manager.

Motion	Adjourn at 8:40 pm				
1st	BK	2nd	PH	Vote	5-0-0
Roll Call Vote: Yea: PD, LA, WK, JK, PH					

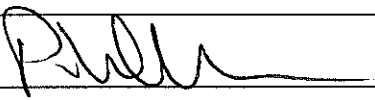


Video of meeting can be viewed at <http://archive.uxbridgetv.org/Video/6010>



Finance Committee Approval Sheet

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Name	Signature	Date
Peter DeMers		24 FEB 2021
Lance Anderson		
Jennifer Kurzon	APPROVE	24 FEB 2021
Bill Kessler	APPROVE	24 FEB 2021
Pat Hannon	APPROVE	24 FEB 2021
Russ Tahmoush	ABSTAIN	24 FEB 2021
Patrick Tuer	ABSTAIN	24 FEB 2021

Vote to approve meeting minutes of September 29, 2020 was taken by roll call vote on February 24, 2021.

Motion	Approve Meeting Minutes of September 29, 2020				
1st	JK	2nd	BK	Vote	4-0-2
Roll Call Vote: Yea: PD, JK, PH, BK Abstain: PT, RT					