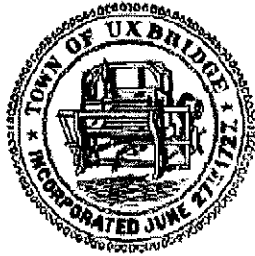


Town of Uxbridge, Massachusetts

Finance Committee Meeting Minutes



Meeting Date: SEPTEMBER 29, 2022

Place: Town Hall BOS Meeting Room
and Remote Via Zoom

Attendance: Present or Absent

Jim Hogan (JH) - Chair	P	Richard Michel (RM)	P*	Art Poisson (AP)	P
Susan Franz (SF) - Vice Chair *	P	Peter Aranow (PA)	P	Bob White (BW)	P
Jennifer Kurzon (JK) - Clerk	P				

* Arrived at 6:20 pm

Call to Order: 6:02 pm

Open Finance Committee ("Fincom") Public Meeting-Roll Call taken as indicated above

Open Board of Selectmen ("BOS") Meeting by Acting Chair Jeff Shaw

Present Jeff Shaw, Brian Butler via Zoom and Stephen Mandile

Motion	Open Public Hearing				
1st	SF	2nd	JH	Vote	6-0-0
Roll Call Vote: Yea: PA, JK, AP, BW, SF, JH Abstain: N/A					

1. Public Hearing – Fall Annual Town Meeting Tuesday October 25th 2022 -Warrant Articles

a. Article 19: Citizen Petition - Amend The Home Rule Charter to adopt procedures to review and/or retire multi-member bodies and advisory committees. Presentation by Patrick Stephan. Questions and issues by BOS and Fincom Members addressed and discussion re: amending the Motion at Town Meeting to better address the housekeeping intent of this Article. Current Board's that should be closed-Mr. Stephan and/or Mr. Sette will provide Fincom and BOS with a list.

b. Article 20: Citizen Petition - Amend The Home Rule Charter to clarify procedures for multi-member bodies regarding email notifications, minutes, and compliance with General Laws, the Charter, and Bylaws. Presentation by Patrick Stephan who addressed all questions and issues presented by BOS and Fincom Members. Discussion re notice and email requirements-what they are and how they relate.

c. Article 21: Citizen Petition - Amend The Home Rule Charter to extend the time to obtain and reduce the number of signatures needed for a petition to recall an elected official Presentation by Patrick Stephan who addressed all questions and issues presented by BOS and Fincom Members. Discussion re the benefit of keeping the requirement of 20% of all voters signature and how that compensates for the proposed removal of the 25% of all eligible votes voting requirement for passage. SF indicated over past 10 years Town has never met the 25% of all eligible voters requirement in any election.

d. Article 22: Citizen Petition - Amend The Home Rule Charter regarding budgets, public

Motion	Adjourn and Continue Public Hearing				
1st	SF	2nd	JK	Vote	7-0-0
Roll Call Vote: Yea: PA, JK, RM, AP, BW, SF, JH Abstain: N/A					

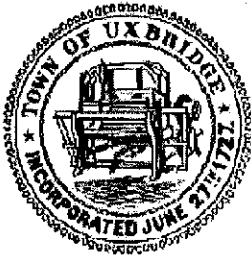
budget hearings, and related deadlines to make key documents available to the public. Presentation by Patrick Stephan who addressed all questions and issues presented by BOS and Fincom Members. Discussion re how much time is necessary for publishing of Town Budget on Town website and when it is most appropriate to require publication for voters to review. Many Fincom Members voiced opinion budget should be published online at least by Friday preceding Public Hearings on the same by Fincom.

4. Review and Acting upon Outstanding Meeting Minutes-Currently none-JH indicated Committee would meet before Town Meeting to act on all outstanding Minutes from this session of Public Hearings and Meetings for FATM

5. New business to be set for discussion at next FinCom Meeting-None

Motion	Adjourn FinCom Meeting at 7:44 pm				
1st	RM	2nd	BW	Vote	7-0-0
Roll Call Vote: Yea: PA, JK, RM, AP, BW, SF, JH Abstain: N/A					

Video replay of meeting available at: <https://archive.uxbridgetv.org/Video/7742>



Finance Committee Approval Sheet

Meeting Date: 9/29/2022

Name	Signature	Date
Jim Hogan, Chair	<i>Jim Hogan</i>	11/9/2022
Susan Franz, Vice Chair		
Jennifer Kurzon, Clerk		
Peter Aranow		
Richard Michel	<i>Richard Michel</i>	11/9/22
Art Poisson	<i>Art Poisson</i>	11/9/22
Bob White		

