

**MINUTES
FINANCE COMMITTEE**

Meeting: January 12, 2023

Present: Mary Shaw, Chair; Peter Wade, Vice Chair; Roy Merolli (Remote Participation); Joanna Buffington (Remote Participation); Thomas McNamara (Remote Participation); Tom Gardner; Russ French;

Jacqui Beebe, Town Manager; Rich Bienvenue, Assistant Town Manager/Finance Director; Art Autorino, Select Board Representative (Remote Participation)

Members Absent: Rick Knight

1. Call to Order

- Mary Shaw called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm. This is an in-person meeting with remote participation via Zoom.

2. Follow up to Budget Presentation at Joint Select Board Meeting on January 9, 2023.

- Mary Shaw opened this agenda item up for discussion.
- Roy Merolli, Tom McNamara, and Mary Shaw had questions and comments related to various operating budget elements. Rich Bienvenue provided responses and there was general discussion among the Committee.

3. Scheduling of FY 24 Departmental Budget Reviews

- Reviewed and discussed Finance Committee meeting and budget review schedule.
- Consensus reached on meeting dates. Rich Bienvenue to verify and schedule departments. Mary Shaw to schedule meeting to be held at Library.

4. Other Business

- Mary Shaw reported that member Rae Ann Palmer has resigned and that she will be in touch with the Search Committee about finding a replacement.
- Town Charter has been approved. Will need to work on constituting the Capital Projects Committee.

5. Adjourn

- Motion by Russ French to adjourn the meeting, 2nd by Tom Gardner. Vote: 7-0. The meeting was adjourned at 6:18 pm.