

FINANCE COMMITTEE MINUTES

Meeting: February 15, 2023

Committee Members Present: Mary Shaw, Chair; Rick Knight; Roy Merolli (Remote Participation); Joanna Buffington (Remote); Tom Gardner (Remote); Russ French; Peter Wade (Remote, arrived 5:08); Tom McNamara

Staff & Other representatives: Rich Bienvenue, Assistant Town Manager/Finance Director (Remote); Adam Bohannon, Police Chief; (departed approx. 7:00pm); Art Autorino, Select Board Representative (arrived approx. 6:26) (departed approx. 7:00 pm); Jerry Cerasale, Select Board (Remote) (Arrived approx. 5:05, departed approx. 6:05)

Members Absent: None

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. Review and vote on Minutes – Item taken out of order, revisited approx. 7:00.

- Meeting minutes of January 31, 2023
 - Two amendments were offered:
 - Correct date of January meeting from 1/14/23 to 1/12/23.
 - Correct item 6 to reflect Town Manager’s report was a verbal update, not distribution of written report.
 - Motion by Roy Merolli, Second by Tom McNamara to approve minutes as amended. Vote to approve 8-0.
- Meeting minutes of February 8, 2023
 - Two amendments were offered:
 - Reflect Tom Gardners participation as Remote
 - Correct item 4 to reflect “Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)” instead of Memorandum of Agreement (MOA).
 - Motion by Tom Gardner, Second by Roy Merolli to approve minutes as amended. Vote to approve 6-0-2 (Tom McNamara and Peter Wade, abstained).

3. Review of FY 24 Operating Budget (Selected departments)

- Police Department
 - Chief Adam Bohannon discussed department operations and requested budget. Discussion and questions from Finance Committee members – concluded approximately 6:45
- Dispatch Department
 - Chief Bohannon continued discussion on Dispatch Department operations and requested budget. Discussion and questions from Finance Committee members – concluded approximately 7:00.

4. Old Business

- Deferred agenda item

5. Town Manager Report and Staff Updates

- Deferred agenda item

6. New Business

- Deferred agenda item

7. Adjourn

- Motion by Russ French to adjourn the meeting, 2nd by Rick Knight. Vote: 8-0. The meeting was adjourned at 7:08pm.