FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING  
March 5, 2019 – 7:00 p.m.  
Old Water Department Room – Falmouth Town Hall  
59 Town Hall Square, Falmouth, MA  02540

APPROVED MINUTES

Present: Keith Schwegel, Nick Lowell, Susan P. Smith, Kathleen Beriau, Joseph “Dutch” Drolette, Ron Dyer, Peter Hargraves, Mary Harris, Judith P. Magnani, Deborah D. Maguire, Jim Marnell, Wendy Vogel  
Absent: None  
Public Present: Brad Cole (Enterprise), Paul Dreyer (Planning Board); Charlotte Harris (Planning Board)  
Handouts: Shiverick’s Pond Slides and Phase Improvements Detail; Survey of Barnstable County Pay of Elected Officials; CPC Article Recommendations and Explanations

1. WELCOME  
Keith Schwegel opened the meeting at 7:00pm

2. PUBLIC COMMENT  
None

3. CHAIRMAN’S REPORT  
Keith Schwegel addressed the denied request to reconsider the Highway budget in the previous meeting and listed the rules governing reconsideration:

   • Reconsideration occurs if new information surfaces  
   • Reconsideration turns the former yes vote to a no, a vote to change the dollar amount must occur  
   • If the reconsideration is beyond the original budget, then it is considered out of scope and requires a 2/3rd vote to pass  
   • Vote the reconsideration  
   • Vote to approve the new motion  
   • The person who brings the reconsideration must have been on the prevailing vote of the original motion  
   • A reconsideration is supposed to take place during the same meeting as the original vote, unless a meeting is continued without adjournment

The Committee discussed:

   • Timetable and occurrences in the past  
   • Discussion with Town Counsel regarding the matter  
   • Placement for discussion and vote on the next week’s agenda

4. APPROVE MINUTES  
Nick Lowell moved the February 19, 2019 Meeting Minutes as printed  
Peter Hargraves seconded  
All in favor  

Nick Lowell moved the February 26, 2019 Minutes as printed  
Susan Smith seconded  
All in favor

5. DISCUSSION - ARTICLE 30: SHIVERICK’S POND TRAIL PHASE I IMPROVEMENTS  
The Chair recognized Paul Dreyer from the Planning Board for an overview of the project.
The total project will include a new viewing area, vista pruning and a sidewalk on Katherine Lee Bates Road. Phase I will include permitting and design for the viewing platform and a portion of the vista pruning. The cost of Phase I will be an estimated $40,000 to be funded from free cash. The Committee discussed:
- DPW’s involvement in the process
- Location of the viewing platform
- Distribution of funds if approved
- Timetable for sidewalk along Katherine Lee Bates Road
- Amount of pruning included in Phase I
- Liability/safety issues surrounding the open outlet that goes underground in the Pond
- Phase II wish list
- School security issues
- The 300 Committee’s Letter of Support

6. CLINICS & NURSES
Kathleen Beriau moved $45,980 for Clinics and Nurses
Dutch Drolette seconded
Discussion about it being moved back into the Health Department’s budget
Kathleen withdrew the motion
This budget item will be discussed in the next meeting

7. VETERAN’S SERVICES
Jim Marnell moved $593,985 for Veteran’s Services
Dutch Drolette seconded
This is a $4,500 decrease from the original request/recommendation. An error was found in one of the line items.
All in favor

8. HUMAN SERVICES
Deborah Maguire moved $487,006 for Human Services
Dutch Drolette seconded
All in favor

9. PROPERTY, LIABILITY & WORKER’S COMPENSATION
Kathleen Beriau moved $1,690,724 for Property, Liability and Worker’s Compensation
Dutch Drolette seconded
All in favor

10. ARTICLE 5: ELECTED OFFICIALS
Ron Dyer moved to approve Article 5 as printed
Susan Smith seconded
The Committee reviewed a survey of Barnstable County Pay of Elected Officials
The Committee discussed:
- Town Moderator
- Town Clerk
- Selectmen
- Selectmen Chair
- FY20 COLA Increase Percentage
All in favor
11. ARTICLE 14: FY19 BUDGET TRANSFERS
   This Article was moved to the next meeting

12. ARTICLE 15: FY19 BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS
   This Article was moved to the next meeting

13. – 25. CPC ARTICLES
   Peter Hargraves distributed a copy of the CPC’s Recommendations and Explanations for Articles 32-44 for the April 2019 Town Meeting
   Peter gave a thumbnail sketch of Community Preservation
   Background of Community Preservation Act
   Funding
   Website
   Revenue Sources – Town and CPA
   The Committee discussed:
   Land Bank Debt
   The Town’s involvement
   State Match

   ARTICLE 32
   Peter Hargraves moved to concur with $10,000 for Article 32
   Dutch Drolette seconded
   All in favor

   ARTICLE 33
   Peter Hargraves moved to concur with $68,299 for Article 33
   Wendy Vogel seconded
   All in favor

   ARTICLE 34
   Peter Hargraves moved to concur with $300,000 for Article 34
   Dutch Drolette seconded
   All in favor

   ARTICLE 35
   Peter Hargraves moved to concur with $614,500 for Article 35
   Dutch Drolette seconded
   All in favor

   ARTICLE 39
   Peter Hargraves moved to concur with $125,100 for Article 39
   Mary Harris recused herself and left the room
   Dutch Drolette seconded
   All in favor

   ARTICLE 37
   Peter Hargraves moved to concur with $604,384 for Article 37
   Mary Harris recused herself and left the room
   Dutch Drolette seconded
The Committee discussed the expense
All but one in favor, Ron Dyer opposed

ARTICLE 40
Peter Hargraves moved to concur with $310,000 for Article 40
Dutch Drolette seconded
All in favor

ARTICLE 41
Peter Hargraves moved to concur with $40,000 for Article 41
Dutch Drolette seconded
The Committee discussed the expense
All in favor

ARTICLE 36
Peter Hargraves moved to concur with $93,954 for Article 36
Dutch Drolette seconded
All in favor

ARTICLE 38
Peter Hargraves moved to concur with $30,000 for Article 38
Dutch Drolette seconded
All in favor

ARTICLE 42
Peter Hargraves moved to concur with $137,950 for Article 42
Dutch Drolette seconded
All in favor

ARTICLE 43
Peter Hargraves moved to concur with $575,000 for Article 43
Dutch Drolette seconded
All in favor

ARTICLE 44
Peter Hargraves moved to concur with $800,000 for Article 44
Dutch Drolette seconded
All in favor

14. OTHER BUSINESS
None

15. NEXT MEETING: Tuesday, March 12, 2019; 7:00pm; Falmouth Public School Administration Building, 340 Teaticket Highway, E Falmouth, MA 02536

16. ADJOURN
Dutch Drolette moved to adjourn at 8:29pm
All in favor