

Call to Order

Remote Participation Requirements and Procedures

Per 940 CMR 29.10(7), Mr. Monticciolo contacted Chair Eugenie (Janie) Moffitt in sufficient time prior to the meeting with the request to participate in the meeting remotely. Pursuant to 940 CMR 29.10(5), Chair Moffitt so notified the members of his request, gained their approval, and called the meeting to order at 7:00p.m. and initiated roll call. Present were: Chair Eugenie (Janie) Moffitt-Y, Andrew Betts-Y, Spiro Christopoulos-Y, Linn Anderson-Y, Paul Monticciolo-Y (remotely), Paul Russo-Y and Bonnie Zahorik (arrived late after roll call.) Absent were Bojay Taylor and John Barry. Also present were Patrick Lawlor, Management Analyst, Donna Walsh, Finance Director Town Manager Flanagan and Chief Keefe. The meeting was taped and live cablecast.

Liaison Updates

School – Mr. Russo reported he would attend the School Committee meeting on February 28 at which the budget would be reviewed. Discussion ensued.

Department of Community Services – Mr. Christopoulos reported the Deputy Town Manager would temporarily take over duties from Mr. Connelly on his resignation. He attended the Council on Aging meeting at which he briefly updated the committee on the Finance Committee's role on the Senior Center at Punchard project. Discussion ensued on both subjects.

Library – Mr. Betts reported he had met with Ms. Mazin who was retiring. The Assistant Director had been hired to replace her. He also discussed the CIP requests and budget. Discussion ensued.

Permanent Town Building Advisory Committee – Ms. Zahorik updated the committee on the Ballardvale Fire Station project, the proposed AHS Feasibility study, and the Municipal Services Facility. Ms. Anderson added comments on the contingency fund balance for the Municipal Services Facility project.

Plant and Facilities – Ms. Zahorik reported on the AHS field house and gym floor issue. Discussion ensued.

Public Safety Presentation – Chief Keefe

Chief Keefe updated the committee on the FY2020 Public Safety budget requests and CIP Articles. Discussion ensued with input from Mr. Lawlor and the Town Manager with regard to personal services line item. There was additional discussion about the IT services needed by the Public Safety Department and whether or not these technology needs are Department operating expenses or Town IT Department expenses.

Finance Committee Report and Letter – Ms. Anderson

Ms. Anderson distributed the final signed warrant and warrant article tracking sheet (see attached.) The Finance Committee's voting position on each Warrant Article was discussed. Also discussed was whether an appearance would be requested of private warrant article sponsors at future meetings. Also discussed was the FY2020 school budget with input from the Town Manager with regard to Chapter 70 appropriations funding. Ms. Zahorik presented handouts of presentation

materials prepared by Ms. Scully, Chair of the School Committee. The Finance Committee report schedule was briefly discussed.

Approval of Minutes – January 23, 2019

Upon motion duly made by Ms. Anderson and seconded by Mr. Christopoulos, it was unanimously voted to approve above minutes. Chair Eugenie (Janie) Moffitt-Y, Andrew Betts-Y, Spiro Christopoulos-Y, Linn Anderson-Y, Paul Monticciolo-Y (remotely) and Paul Russo-Y. Motion passed 6-0-1 with Ms. Zahorik abstaining.

Approval of Minutes – February 13, 2019

Upon motion duly made by Ms. Anderson and seconded by Mr. Russo, it was unanimously voted to approve above minutes. Chair Eugenie (Janie) Moffitt-Y, Andrew Betts-Y, Spiro Christopoulos-Y, Linn Anderson-Y, Paul Monticciolo-Y (remotely) and Paul Russo-Y. Motion passed 6-0-1 with Ms. Zahorik abstaining.

Next Meetings

Discussion ensued on the following scheduled meetings:

Wednesday, March 6 – Finance Committee Meeting and Triboard
Saturday, March 9 – Joint Finance Committee and Board of Selectmen
Monday, March 11 – Finance Committee
Wednesday, March 13 – Finance Committee

Adjournment

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Russo and seconded by Ms. Anderson, it was unanimously voted to adjourn. Motion passed 7-0. Meeting adjourned at 9:22PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Christine Martin Barraford
Recording Secretary

Attachments:

Warrant Article Tracking Sheet