FINANCE COMMITTEE, MINUTES OF THURSDAY



JANUARY 19, 2023

Call to order at 6:02pm by Chairman Joe Freitas.

In attendance Joes Freitas, Tabitha McCrohan, Nancy Gajoli and Matthew Chabot.

Finance Committee votes on meeting minutes from January 3rd,2023. Motion to accept made by Tabitha McCrohan, 2nd by Matthew Chabot.

Committee to review a request from the town clerk, Heather Almy. This request is to allocate money to lease a new Printer/scanner/fax machine. This is a 3-year lease that includes a service contract. After much discussion between members comparing leasing to purchasing the committee voted to approve the request to transfer \$2,700 from the general fund to the department of the Town Clerk.

Committee to review the request from the current town Administrator to move \$4,000 from the reserve fund to the Department of the Board of Selectmen cover purchases made throughout the year. These purchases included multiple mailings, equipment and other costs due to inflation and staffing turnover. Committee votes unanimously in favor of the transfer.

Finance Committee has set dates to hear the FY24 budget request from each department throughout the month of February and March. The preliminary request from the Berkley K-8 schools was discussed briefly. There is a %4.08 increase from last FY. This discussion will be continued on February 6th when it will be discussed with the current Superintendent.

Committee members discussed their plans to attend the MMA convention in Boston and how to attend the most seminars.

Vote to adjourn at 7:01pm.

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