

TOWN OF BERKLEY FINANCE COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF JUNE 29, 2020

Call to order at 6:00 pm.

Due to the Covid-19 pandemic regulations, we are utilizing Zoom for a Virtual Meeting, and in accordance to the rules, must do verbal roll call of members.

In attendance by roll call: Chairman Joe Freitas, Secretary Michele Hamilton, Nancy Gajoli, Melinda Paine-Dupont.

Chairman Joe Freitas introduced Town Administrator, Heather Martin-Sterling as a participant in this evening's meeting.

Chairman Joe Freitas requested a motion to approve the minutes of June 22, 2020 meeting. After a brief discussion, a motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes with minor corrections. A verbal roll call was made, and the committee unanimously approved the minutes. (Corrections made prior to posting).

Review latest budget for FY21 upon presentation to Board of Selectmen

Newly elected to the Board of Selectmen, Dean Larabee, express some concerns regarding the proposed budget and the methodology used to secure a balance fiscal year.

Chairman Joe Freitas indicated a mistake made regarding the Dog Officer Position and the fact that we did not consider a 2% increase towards his pay. After some discussion and to meet the same standards we recommended for other departments, Chairman Joe Freitas requested a motion to approve the increase, which equal out to an additional \$210 per year, was made. Motion made and seconded. A verbal roll call was made and the committee unanimously approved the increase.

Finance Committee Re-Organization

According to the By-Laws the Finance Committee is to Re-Organize the following positions, Chairman and Record Keeper (Secretary). After a brief discussion a motion was made to nominate Joe Freitas as Chairman and Michele Hamilton as Secretary. A verbal roll call was made, and the committee voted to approve the nominees for fiscal year 2022.

Other Business.

Received the following information from Town Clerk Deborah Pereira the following information related to the committee members and the time remaining on committee.

Melinda -2020, needs to reapply.

Joe - 2021

