Finance Committee Meeting

Tuesday, December 8, 2020

Committee Members in Attendance

Chairman, Joe Freitas, Secretary, Michele Hamilton, Melinda Paine-Dupont. Via Zoom, Nancy Gajoli.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Joe Freitas at 6:00 pm.

Chairman Joe Freitas called for a motion to accept the Finance Committee minutes of October 20th, 2020. Motion was made and seconded to accept the minutes as written. A verbal roll call for a vote was made by Chairman Joe Freitas and the committee verbally approved minutes as written.

A discussion of the 2021 financial budget, which included reviewing the committee's Town of Berkley Annual Reports for both the annual town meeting and the special town meeting in November. Included in the discussion, was 2021 financial sheets.

A few things that we have to be cognitive of is the rainy day fund, the budget has to be stable and watch the process taking place with the House Ways and Means, cherry sheets and Covid - 19 assistance. There are several other items to focus on as well, such as, chapter 70, chapter 90 etc.

A couple of departments have put in a request for additional personnel and we need to look at the budget and determined if we can sustain the new positions.

MMA was discussed. All members of the committee are attending. The MMA program is virtual this year.

Chairman, Joe Freitas introduced a possible candidate interested in joining the Finance Committee. His name is Matthew Chabot. Matt provided the committee with a resume, answered a few questions and seems to have an understanding of what the committee's function is.

Chairman Joe Freitas called for a verbal vote to accept Matthew Chabot as a member of the Finance Committee.. A verbal roll call for a vote was made by Chairman Joe Freitas and the committee verbally approved Matthew Chabot to be sworn in as a new member of the committee.

Chairman, Joe Freitas called for a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:18 pm. A motion was made and Seconded. A call for a verbal vote was made by Chairman Mr. Freitas and the committee unanimously approved by roll call to adjourn.