

MINUTES OF:
TOWN OF SEEKONK FINANCE COMMITTEE
REGULAR MEETING
February 11, 2014

PRESENT:

Chairperson: Myrna Gagnon-Elderkin
Robert Blanchard
David Francis
David Saad
Robert Richardson
Mark Gorton

Director of Finance: Bruce Alexander
Board of Selectmen: Gary Sagar, Robert McLintock
Library Director Peter Fuller
Director of Public Works Robert Lamoureux
Library Trustee Michael Durkey

Ms. Gagnon-Elderkin called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Minutes

The Committee reviewed and took action on the following minutes:

January 28, 2014 moved approval Mr. Blanchard; second Mr. Saad (6-0)

Reserve Fund Advisory

Mr. Lamoureux reviewed the RFA for Building Operations, contributing to the advisory are the failure of the Uninterrupted Power Supply at the Public Safety Complex. Mr. Francis suggested the town report it to the insurance company.

FY 2015 Budget - DPW

Mr. Lamoureux reviewed his departmental and enterprise fund budgets with the committee. Questions about Banna stations operations and custodial services were asked. Utility costs, both electricity and natural gas were discussed. Most increases are contractual, there is an additional truck driver/laborer being requested. Ms. Gagnon-Elderkin asked about trash collection. Status of snow and ice budget was discussed. Mr. Lamoureux provided documentation to explain the need for additional personnel.

FY 2015 Budget - Library

Mr. Fuller provided documentation to the committee on the Seekonk Public Library budget. Mr. Fuller elaborated on the services and revenue provided the town by the library.

Committee Reorganization

Ms. Gagnon-Elderkin stated that she has been chairperson for one year, and the Town Charter calls for reorganization annually, and she called for nominations for the Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson and Clerk.

Moved nomination of Robert Richardson as Chairperson, Ms. Gagnon-Elderkin, second Mr. Francis (6-0)

Moved nomination of David Francis as Vice Chairperson, Mr. Gorton, second Mr. Richardson (6-0)
Moved nomination of Myrna Gagnon-Elderkin as Clerk, Mr. Richardson, second Mr. Blanchard (6-0)

Mr. Richardson assumed chair position.

Special Town Meeting Warrant

Mr. Alexander reviewed the articles and the committee discussed each article in detail.

Article 1	Town Meeting Reports
Article 2	Moved recommend approval, Mr. Francis, second Mr. Gorton (6-0)
Article 3	Moved recommend approval, Ms. Gagnon-Elderkin, second Mr. Gorton (6-0)
Article 4	Postponed, awaiting Mr. Sagar
Article 5	Defer to Community Preservation Committee for recommendation
Article 6	No financial implications
Article 7	Moved not recommend approval, Mr. Blanchard, second Mr. Saad (6-0)

Mr. Sagar arrived and there was an extensive discussion about article 4 and the permitting process and need for auxiliary parking with Mr. Fuller.

Article 4 Moved not recommend approval, Mr. Gorton, second Mr. Francis (6-0)

The committee discussed speaking assignments at Town Meeting, the results are as follows:

Article 2	Mr. Gorton
Article 3	Mr. Francis
Article 4	Mr. Richardson
Article 7	Ms. Gagnon-Elderkin

Future Meetings

Tuesday, February 18, 2014 @ 7:00 PM, Special Town Meeting, Seekonk High School
Tuesday, February 25, 2014 @ 6:30 PM, Town Hall Meeting Room

Moved adjournment Mr. Francis, second Mr. Gorton (6-0) 8:17 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Myrna Gagnon-Elderkin, Clerk

