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## YARMOUTH FINANCE COMMITTEE MINUTES

Yarmouth Town Hall Room A

**March 27, 2019**

**Present:** Ken Mudie, Chairman, Joseph Goldstein, Jessica Norwood, Jack Moylan, Robert Ciavarra, Nathan Ladley

**Absent:** Brian Gardiner

**Administration:** Christopher Dwelley. Assistant Town Administrator

**Visitors:** 1 member of community

**1. Minutes:** The minutes of Marcy 13, 2019 were reviewed.

**2. Discussion and/or Possible Vote for:**

- **DYRSD Budget** Copy of the FY 2020 budget was distributed by Chris Dwelley for the committee's review and discussion. J. Goldstein asked for clarification as to if the teacher were working without a contract and if they were still in negotiation, The Assistant Administration explained that they were still working under contract and built in the anticipated cost of living is covered with budget. Teachers are still in negotiation for this year and next year. There is a line item budget as it related to salaries under instructional assistance. The explanation also covered that instructional assistance will be in place rather than replacing teachers.
- **DYRSD Regional Agreement** A hand out was distributed by the assistant administrator for the committee's review and discussion. N. Ladley had concerns related to D-Y split which was discussed and explained by the administrator and the committee was referred to page 6 of the handout for further clarification. It was noted that Dennis supported the regional agreement and was voted 3-0-2 abstained -to accept at their meeting on 3/26/19.

The chairman asked for any further questions from the committee on budget which was followed by a motion made by N. Ladley to accept the budget and seconded by J. Norwood with a vote of 6-0 to accept. K. Mudie asked the committee's opinion as to whether the Finance Committee should take a public position on DYRSD budget. The committee discussed raising many points as it related to the pros and cons of this question. R. Ciavara made the motion to take a public position on budget seconded by J. Goldstein and vote of 6-0 to accept.

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- **Free Cash Revenue and Possible Vote:** C. Dwelley introduced the need for a placeholder of \$75,000.00 for school budget funds. A committee member question the need to take this action. And the point was made that is related to the high risk need for a placeholder this year, and should be considered a security fund as a cash infusion or a contingency fund related present difficulties with budgeting issues.

**3. Mattacheese Funding Update:** Assistant administrator introduced the need for a placeholder for Mattacheese if it moves forward. Following discussion a motion was made J. Moylan to accept and seconded as submitted by R.Ciavarra. Vote to accept was 6-0.

**4. Budget Transfer: none made.**

**5. Fin/Com Administrative Items:** K.Mudie asked to discuss CPA Article 36 which was brought up in the BOS meeting and the distribution of funds for the article. He wanted to define the committee view on why they voted to reduce the funds for the article. There was a discussion and the consensus of the finance committee was related to the amounts of money asked for studies 2 years in a row. There was discussion on the need to present at town meeting for town voters understanding FinCom reasoning behind their vote. There was discussion of the warrants and it pointed out the DPW changes and changes for natural resources. A question related to plastic article was explained. R. Ciavarra explained his recommendation for the home show and research he had completed on the town property rentals which was brought up in the March 13th meeting. He noted the financial advantages for the town which will go into effect as of July first. N. Ladley commented on the removal of the building removed from Rt. 28 which had been burnt in a fire over a year ago. J Norwood recommended the finance committee take an active role in the April 13<sup>th</sup> Town Clean Up Day and photo shoot of the committee to show their active participation. All members were in agreement. C. Dwelley emphasized the attendance by the committee at the BOS meeting April 25 at 5:30pm-to focus on warrant and participate in an open dialogues.

**6. Adjourn:** The motion to adjourn made by Jack Moylan and seconded by Jessica Norwood Vote 6-0 to accept.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Beverly A. Bachand