



Town of Holland, MA – Finance Board

Meeting Minutes

February 14, 2018

Call To Order

The Chairman called to order a meeting of the Holland Finance Board at 6:57 P.M. on February 14, 2018 at the Holland Town Hall.

Roll Call

Finance Board members present were: Ernie Fancy, Don Laing, John Ebersold and Joe Yiznitsky. Not present was and Mike Brady.

Approval of Minutes

Motion 0214201801 was made by Mr. Fancy to approve the minutes of the January 17, 2018 meeting. So voted, approved unanimously.

Agenda Items

Board of Health Transfer Request:

The Board of Health has requested \$5,450.00 be transferred from the Finance Board Reserve Fund to the Board for “grinding of wood waste at town brush dump”. It was noted that grinding had not been done in a few years & debris was becoming a concern, i.e. fire hazard. The Finance board discussed the request and determined the money should have been allocated in the 2018 budget and was not at the advisement of the BOH, furthermore, the money may be allocated in the 2019 budget and chipping may be done at that time. Motion 0214201802 by Mr. Yiznitsky to decline the transfer, So voted, approved unanimously.

Treasurer Budget Review:

Linda Blodgett presented the proposed 2019 Treasurer Budget. There was discussion regarding: clerk, bond counsel, and OPEB. Discussion also included the increase in insurance costs for Medicare, Division of Employment, Chapter 32B, and Hampden Cnty. Retirement Assessment. The abandoned property in town and associated legal expenses has increased this year in planning for a near future auction. Also \$30,000 to purchase 10 new computers and a new server is requested for 2019.

Meeting with the DPW

Joe Yiznitsky met with Brian Johnson on February 1, 2018 in preparation of the scheduled meeting on February 28, 2018. Discussion included the new purchase of a F550 XL RC 4WD with built in sander versus a F350. Brian agreed to obtain a quote for a 350 and provide it to the Finance Committee along with the 2019 Budget request, Planning Information, and updated Capital Planning Spreadsheet.

Accountant-2018 off duty police details

It is our understanding the accountant is working with the Police Dept. to correct the existing deficit of the off-duty detail. The Finance Board will request further details as to how this will be done.

PVPC Dashboards

A brief overview and discussion took place regarding the PVPC dashboards.

Capital Planning

This item was eliminated from the Agenda.

Latest Schedule Review

The schedule for the upcoming department meetings was reviewed and updated.

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held at 7:00 PM on Wednesday, February 21, 2018.

Adjournment

Motion 0214201803 by Mr. Fancy to adjourn the meeting at 9:15.

Minutes submitted by: Joe Yiznitsky