

**Holland Finance  
Board**

\*Community Room  
\*moved to Conservation  
Room  
27 Sturbridge Road  
Holland, MA 01521

**Minutes for Wednesday, January 22, 2020  
Meeting**

7:05 PM – Clelland (Chair) called the meeting to order - members present:  
Clelland Johnson, Joe Yiznitsky, Andrew Harhay, Sharon Ashleigh

Absent member: Stacy Riley

Review of Agenda - Due to Stacy's absence, Sharon volunteered to take minutes

Minutes of prior meeting were approved, motion made by Joe, seconded by Sharon. Voted 4-0

Review correspondence- reviewed Mike Brady's resignation letter, need for another member discussed which led to discussion of Ernie Fancy resigning from BOS and the need to find out who will be BOS liaison.

Discuss Finance Board/Town Budget Timeline - dates for upcoming meeting discussed and noted, discussion of meeting in Conservation room going forward and the need to book the Community room in advance for upcoming Saturday meetings with Dept heads

Andy presented the idea for all members of the board to have access of email, after some discussion, this idea was accepted and password shared for access of reading emails only - no replies to be sent except by Chair

Discuss Budget Process in Barre and Brimfield- Sharon discussed her

experiences in both Barre and Brimfield, Discussion of Cleargov and need for the budget to be created by a joint effort of BOS and FB

Discussion of the need to get minutes updated on the town website, Sharon offered to find out if board members have the ability to upload their own minutes

Discussion pertaining to Stabilization accounts and the need to verify with Linda Blodgett (Treasurer) amounts in each account

Discussion pertaining to Brimfield Ambulance and status and the need to be verified by liaison, Bettina Schmidt

With the BOS liaison seat empty, discussion of drafting a letter with the intention of a more unified approach to the budget will be addressed to BOS. Ideas are to be brought to the next meeting.

Sharon motioned to adjourn meeting, Joe seconded. Voted 4-0

Meeting adjourned 8:25pm

Next meeting: Feb 5, 2020

Submitted by: Sharon Ashleigh, Acting Secretary