

Finance Committee Meeting Minutes
Monday, April 11, 2016

Attendance: Chairmen, Ed Hoak; Committee Members, Joe Freitas, Nancy Gajoli and Michele Hamilton.

Selectmen, Wendy Cochrane

Accountant, Kathy Avilla

Executive Secretary,, Paul Modlowski

Meeting called to order at 6:30.

Reviewed the Finance Committee minutes of April 4,, 2016, motion was made and seconded to accept the minute as written, unanimously voted for acceptance.

Executive Secretary, Paul Modlowski presented and walked through with the Finance Committee the selectman's accounts budgets.

Account 122 Selectman's:

- Level funded selectman's expense at \$3519.00
- Executive Secretary there is an increase of \$2,690.00, per contract terms.
- Selectman's pay there is an increase of \$1,473.00 or \$491.00 per selectman.
- Clerical line, request for an increase in the amount of \$2,500.00

Account 151, legal services requesting an increase of \$500.00.

Account 192, Municipal Buildings Maintenance:

- TMLP, level funded at \$10,000.00
- Pest Control, level funded at \$570.00
- Custodian Contract, level funded at \$34,000.00
- Security monitoring for New Town Hall at \$240.00 per year.
- Other chargers and expenses, requesting an increase of \$12,000.00

Account 193, Municipal Water;; account 195, Town Report; account 492, Care Veterans Graves; and 710, Memorial and Veterans Day are all accounts that have a request for level funding as in years past.

Account 940, Miscellaneous, deals with insurance expense which includes workers compensation, property and casualty, police and fire accident insurance and workers compensation audit. This specific account request came in at an increase of \$8,170.00.

Account 425, Street Lights, electricity is level funded. New cost has been added in the amount of \$840.00 for the new line item The Berkley-Dighton Bridge. The cost of lighting is shared with the Town of Dighton.

In addition, the Finance Committee spent the remains time walking through the accounts, line by line and discussing options necessary to bring the budget in line with our actual revenues available,

The purpose of this process was to give the committee members an idea of what we are working with for fiscal year 2017 budget.

The next Finance Committee meeting will be on April 25 , 2016 at 6:30 pm in the Town of Berkley Office building.

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:00, unanimously voted.

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