

**FINANCE COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES**

DATE: March 26, 2018

ATTENDANCE: Chairman Ed Hoak, Secretary Michele Hamilton, Joe Freitas, Nancy Gajoli, Barbara Miller and Melinda Paine-Dupont

Town Administrator: Alan Coutihno

Treasure: Wendy Cochrane

Accountant: Kathy Avilla

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Ed Hoak at 6:30pm.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes for finance committee meeting of March 19, 2018. With a minor correction the committee unanimously voted to approve minutes.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes for finance committee meeting of March 22, 2018. The committee unanimously voted to approve minutes.

This was a public hearing with the Town Administrator, Alan Coutihno and Accountant, Kathy Avilla for the purpose of introducing and walking through the budget request that report directly to the Selectman.

Administrator, Alan Coutihno started with a quick overview of the overall budget for the departments to be discussed. Mr. Coutihno indicated that the department budgets came in at a rate increase of 2.8%. This was primarily due to a recommendation to rotate the police cruisers yearly and a director for the Council on Aging.

Also, Mr. Coutihno indicated the contracts for the Fire and Emergency Medical Technicians Departments were being negotiated at this time. Regarding their accounts, no additional funds have been added, they have been level funded.

The following accounts listed below are the accounts presented and discussed.

Board of Selectman

Public Safety Building

Police Department

Fire Department

Accountant

Council on Aging

Emergency Medical Technicians

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Veterans

Town Building

Workers Compensation

Unemployment Compensation

Health Insurance

Liability Insurance

Building Department