



TOWN OF DARTMOUTH MASSACHUSETTS

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Shannon Jenkins, Chair
Mary Louise Nunes, Vice-Chair
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Pursuant to a call to order and notice duly given in the manner required by law and the By-laws of the Town of Dartmouth, a meeting of the Finance Committee was held on Thursday, July 8, 2010 at 6:30 pm at the Dartmouth Town Hall.

Members Present:

John Swanson
Greg Lynam
Patrick Roth
Mary Louise Nunes
Barry Walker
David Ferreira

Members Absent:

Jason Wentworth
Shannon Jenkins
Stephen Mitchell

Guests:

Gregory Barnes; Director of Budget and Finance
Jennifer Inglis; Library Director

Vice Chair Nunes called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, the Vice Chair began the review of various "Requests for Transfers".

Mr. Barnes presented a "Request for Transfer of Appropriations" concerning Police Holiday Pay. After discussion and questions it was moved by Mr. Ferreira and seconded by Mr. Patrick to approve the transfer of \$17,126.60 from Police Officers Salaries to Police Holiday Pay. The motion was approved unanimously (5-0).

Mr. Barnes presented a "Request for Transfer of Appropriations" concerning The Department of Public Works. The request involved 75% FEMA reimbursable expenses. After discussion and questions it was moved by Mr. Roth and seconded by Mr. Ferreira to approve the transfer of \$33,212.61 from Highway Salaries to Highway Expense. The motion was approved unanimously (5-0).

Mr. Walker entered the meeting at 6:48pm.



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Mr. Barnes presented a "Request for Transfer from the Reserve Fund" concerning the purchase of a rebuilt Trane 40 ton compressor for the air conditioning system in the Southworth Library. Ms. Inglis and Mr. Barnes responded to questions from the Finance Committee Members. After discussion and deliberation it was moved by Mr. Lynam and seconded by Mr. Roth to approve the transfer of \$21,495.00 from the Reserve Fund to Library-Expenses. The motion was approved 5-0-1 with Ms. Nunes abstaining.

Mr. Barnes presented information concerning unanticipated costs associated with the Wind Turbine Project. Discussion included information included in the Impact Study Agreement with NSTAR and the contract with Glynn Electric. The Glynn contract is to be mailed to the Finance Committee Members. At least \$16,000.00 in additional funds will be needed from the Reserve Fund or secured through borrowing. There was a general consensus around the position taken by Mr. Lynam that this type of additional cost be included in the borrowing for the project.

The Finance Committee discussed the possible broadcasting of future meetings by DCTV as is being considered along with the meetings of the Planning Board, DPW, and Board of Health.

The Finance Committee was informed that there would be a joint meeting with the Select Board on Monday, August 9, 2010. The Finance Committee also scheduled their next meeting on Thursday, August 26th at 6:30pm.

Mr. Walker briefly reviewed the discussion that has occurred at the Charter Review Commission meetings to date. He encouraged attendance by members of the Finance Committee. Mr. Lynam volunteered to attend any meeting of the Commission that Jason Wentworth was unable to attend.

On a motion by Mr. Roth, seconded by Mr. Ferreira it was unanimously voted to adjourn at 7:44pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

David J. Ferreira
Temporary Clerk