

Finance Committee Town of Halifax 499 Plymouth St. Halifax, MA 02338

Meeting Minutes Monday, March 6, 2017

	Gordon	Mel	Linda	Stu Hall	Diane	Melinda	Bill
	Andrews	Conroy	Braga		Ruxton	Tarsi	McAvoy
Present	✓	✓	✓			✓	

Also in attendance was Sandy Nolan, Town Accountant, Charlie Seelig, Town Administrator; Kim Roy, Selectman; Barbara Gaynor, Town Clerk; Barbara Brenton, Council on Aging Director; Dick Wright, Council on Aging.

Gordon Andrews called the meeting to order at 7:21pm.

Meeting was recorded by Area 58.

Schools

The appraisal for the land came in at \$325,000.00 for two lots, one being an estate lot. It would need a 2/3 vote for borrowing on a debt exclusion.

Charlie sent an email today stating that they Selectmen in Kingston are starting to wane from the sale of the SL land. It should probably still be brought up at STM tomorrow night just to be on the safe side.

We went over the SLRSD FY18 assessments that Charlie emailed out. Looking at the budget shift of approximately 3% for Halifax Elementary. Gordon will find out more tonight as they are meeting tonight and he heard there are increases.

COA

Meeting with Barbara Brenton and Dick Wright

Line 120 – wages went down because Joyce Curran left and the new hire is at a lower step.

Line 121 – already approved

Line 122 – already approved

Barbara would like to request a volunteer coordinator. She knows that it is a nice to have, not a need to have. She would like to have someone PT, 8-16 hours a week.

School Project

The Fire Suppression Article original numbers were \$638,000.00 and \$50,000.00 for security cameras. Construction now is at \$880,000.00 and design \$95,000.00. Over 1 million dollars for the entire project is unacceptable. An RFQ was done for Architects and Designers. Habeeb was the only responders. Charlie can do a second RFQ to try to get additional bids. The motion will be for all 3 things, the system, design and construction.

<u>Calendar</u>

Clerk

3/31/17 – Keith 7:15pm, Fire Chief 7:30pm, Barbara Gaynor 7:45pm 3/20/17

Mel Conroy made a motion to adjourn at 8:00pm. Seconded by Melinda Tarsi. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,	
Linda Braga	