

Town of Medway FINANCE COMMITTEE

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Meeting Minutes November 13, 2012 -- 6:15 PM Medway High School – Room 113-A

Present: Chairman Jeff O'Neill; Kevin Dickie, Vice Chair; Chris Lagan, Clerk; Members: Meghan Bernardo (6:30 PM), Christine Devine, Neil Kennedy, Frank Rossi, Barry Schroeder (6:25 PM), Jim Sheehan (6:45PM).

Also Present: Tom Holder, Director, Department of Public Services; David D'Amico, Deputy Director, Department of Public Services; Deb Trindade, School Committee; Selectman Dennis Crowley; Selectman Glenn Trindade; Barbara Saint Andre, Town Counsel.

There being a quorum present, Chairman O'Neill called the meeting to order at 6:20 PM.

<u>Final Recommendations – 2012 Fall Town Meeting:</u>

Having secured additional information and the recommendations from the Board of Selectmen, the Committee considered the remaining warrant articles as follows:

<u>Article 15 – Transfer: Main Street Water Main Replacement Project</u> – After brief discussion, **Mr. Kevin** Dickie moved that the Finance Committee recommend Article 15; Mr. Frank Rossi seconded. No discussion. VOTE: 7-0-0.

Article 18 – Appropriation: Athletic Field Maintenance – Chairman O'Neill reported that the figure of \$30,000 was approved by the Board of Selectmen. Brief general discussion on the article followed. Mr. Kevin Dickie moved that the Finance Committee recommend Article 18 inserting a dollar amount of \$30,000; Mr. Chris Lagan seconded. No further discussion. VOTE: 6-1-0 – O'Neill oppose.

<u>Article 21 – Borrowing: Thayer Property Renovation</u>-- Selectman Foresto reported that there were too few bids on the project, and the committee would like to reject those bids and reissue the RFP. Discussion followed on use of CPC funds, timelines, other funding sources, etc. Mr. Chris Lagan expressed concern that this debt would come back to the Town. Selectman Crowley noted that it is likely that, for the first couple of years, the Town will be handling the maintenance as there will be little

or no revenue stream. He estimated this cost to be approximately \$8,000. He emphasized that the property will be available for Town events in addition to fee-based events from the public.

Ms. Christine Devine moved that the Finance Committee recommend Article 21 as written, inserting a dollar amount of \$2.5 million; Ms. Meghan Bernardo seconded. No further discussion. VOTE: 7-1-0 - Lagan oppose.

Article 22 – Free Cash Transfer: Parks and Recreation Study – Chairman O'Neill reported that a figure of \$10,000 was approved by the Board of Selectmen. Brief discussion followed. **Ms. Christine Devine** moved that the Finance Committee recommend Article 22 as written, inserting a dollar amount of \$10,000; Mr. Barry Schroeder seconded. No discussion. VOTE: 8-0-0.

Assignment of Motions – 2012 Fall Town Meeting:

Chairman O'Neill reported that Mr. Mark Cerel, Town Meeting Moderator, had instructed the Board of Selectmen that several articles would be grouped together into a single vote as they were similar in nature. In these cases, Mr. Cerel will specify that he seeks a motion from the Finance Committee, name the specifics of the motion, and the Finance Committee member responds with the words "so moved." Other assignments were as follows:

Article 1 - Neil Kennedy

Articles 2, 3 and 4 - Chris Lagan

Article 5 – Frank Rossi

Article 6 - Jim Sheehan

Article 7 - Meghan Bernardo

Article 8 - Kevin Dickie

Article 9 - Jeff O'Neill

Articles 10, 11, 12, 13, and 14 - Christine Devine

Article 15 – Barry Schroeder

Article 16 - Neil Kennedy

Article 17- Chris Lagan

Article 18 - Frank Rossi

Article 19 - Jim Sheehan

Article 20 - Meghan Bernardo

Article 21 - Jeff O'Neill

Article 22 – Kevin Dickie

Article 23 - Christine Devine

Article 24 – Barry Schroeder

Article 25 - Neil Kennedy

Article 26 – Chris Lagan

Article 27 - Frank Rossi

Approval of Minutes:

The Committee reviewed draft minutes of meetings held on October 24, 2012 (Public Hearing) and October 24, 2012 (Regular Meeting).

Ms. Meghan Bernardo moved to approve the minutes of October 24, 2012 (Public Hearing), as drafted; Mr. Kevin Dickie seconded. No discussion. VOTE: 9-0-0.

Ms. Meghan Bernardo moved to approve the minutes of October 24, 2012 (Regular Meeting), as amended; Ms. Christine Devine seconded. No discussion. VOTE: 9-0-0.

<u>Election Update – St. Joseph's Parish</u>:

Chairman O'Neill reported that, due to the large turnout of voters for the Presidential Election last week, there was some damage to St. Joseph's Parish. He reminded the Committee that it is not a regular polling place, but was put to service while the Middle School Repair Project is underway. There was damage to grassy areas from people parking their cars there, a broken door, and other smaller items. The matter had come before the Board of Selectmen who requested the Finance Committee's input. It was noted that the Town cannot make a donation to the parish, and instead could pay an invoice for repairs. After brief discussion, it was agreed that the parish should submit an itemized list of necessary repairs up to \$1,500, and a Reserve Fund Transfer could be processed. Chairman O'Neill will report back to the Board of Selectmen.

Upcoming Meetings:

- Tuesday, December 4, 2012 -- Joint meeting with the Board of Selectmen and School Committee Medway High School Library 7 PM
- Wednesday, December 12, 2012 Sanford Hall 7 PM
- Wednesday, January 9, 2013 Sanford Hall 7 PM

At 6:55 PM Ms. Meghan Bernardo moved to adjourn in order to attend Fall Town Meeting; Mr. Barry Schroeder seconded. No discussion. VOTE: 9-0-0.

Respectfully submitted, Jeanette Galliardt Night Board Secretary