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FINANCE COMMITTEE MINUTES

February 26, 2009

A meeting of the Orleans Finance Committee was held in the Town Hall Nauset Room in Orleans. Present were Walter Bennett, Mark Fiegel, Dale Fuller, Laurence Hayward, John Hodgson, Peter Monger, Paul Rooker, Rick Sigel and Cynthia Suonopera. Walter Bennett called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Approval of Minutes

A motion to approve the minutes of the February 12, 2009 meeting was made and seconded. They were approved 6-0-1 (Ms. Suonopera)

A motion to approve the minutes of the February 19, 2009 meeting was made and seconded. They were approved 5-0-2. (Mr. Hodgson, Mr. Fiegel)

(Mr. Sigel and Mr. Monger joined the meeting after these votes.)

Guest

Chief Roy discussed the budget questions raised on overtime and comp. time during a previous FinCom meeting.

David Withrow reviewed changes made to the F/Y 10 Operating Plan

New Business

Mr. Fuller discussed the very good turnout for the 2/25 joint meeting with the BoS. After discussion, for the upcoming 3/11 public meeting on the Operating Plan, it was decided to notify both newspapers and the radio station in addition to passing out notices at the post offices, Transfer Station and at local businesses.

Mr. Monger updated the Budget Schedule.

Mr. Hodgson asked for more opinions from the committee before initiating the Incentive discussion.

Mr. Sigel presented a proposal from the Chamber of Commerce which would provide the town \$17,682.00 in budget savings. **On a motion made by Ms. Suonopera and seconded by Mr. Monger the committee asked the Chamber to make the proposal to the BoS. The motion was approved 9-0-0.**

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Budget Reviews

The discussion and vote on the Fire Department (220) was postponed pending receipt of information and clarification requested by the BoS during their review.

The budget for the Fire Building budget (221) was discussed. **Ms. Suonopera moved we approve the budget, Mr. Monger seconded. The budget was approved 9-0-0**

Mr. Bennett presented additional information on computer warrantees in the MIS budget (155). With this information, **Mr. Hayward moved we approve the budget, Ms. Suonopera seconded. The budget was approved 9-0-0.**

Mr. Sigel revisited the Parks department budget item covering the purchase of an electronic message board for \$21,500.00. He has obtained a quote for rental of the item which would cost \$2,000 for the eight week summer season. The quote will be passed to the Parks department.

Mr. Sigel also discussed a meeting held with the Highway department on sharing equipment among neighboring towns. The idea was seen as a good one and will be pursued.

Mr. Bennett mentioned the monthly expense reports, by department, will be available in the committee mail box. He also discussed the fee schedules included in the package and asked that the committee review them and reach a position. The Cape and Islands Electric Cooperative membership will be discussed at the 3/12/09 meeting. The general bylaw changes proposed by the warrant will be discussed prior to Town Meeting.

Board of Selectmen Reports

The committee reviewed and discussed the February 25 joint meeting. Mr. Bennett will distribute copies of the Town Administrator's reorganization proposal which was approved by the BoS at the 2/25/09 meeting.

On a motion duly made and seconded, the meeting was adjourned at 9:55 PM

Respectfully submitted



Dale Fuller

Recording Secretary