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FINANCE COMMITTEE MINUTES

The March 18, 2010, meeting of the Orleans Finance Committee was convened by Acting Committee Chairman Dale Fuller at 7:00 p.m. in the Nauset Room of the Orleans Town Hall. Present constituting a quorum were Mr. Fuller, Edwin Barr, Gwen A. Holden Kelly, and Paul Rooker. Member Rick Sigel arrived following the vote on the minutes of previous meetings.

Approval of Minutes

- *Minutes of the March 10, 2010, Public Hearing:* A motion made by Mr. Barr to approve the minutes of the joint Finance Committee's joint public hearing with the Board of Selectmen on the fiscal year 2011 Town budget failed due to a lack of a quorum of Finance Committee members voting (3-0-2).
- *Minutes of the March 11, 2010, Meeting:* A motion made by Mr. Barr to approve the minutes of the March 11, 2010, Finance Committee failed due to a lack of a quorum of Finance Committee members voting (3-0-2).

With six members of the Finance Committee present, action on the minutes of the March 11, 2010, Finance Committee meeting and the March 10, 2010, Finance Committee joint public hearing with the Board of Selectmen on the fiscal year 2011 Town budget was revisited.

- *Minutes of the March 10, 2010, Public Hearing:* On a motion made by Mr. Barr, the minutes of the Finance Committee's joint public hearing with the Board of Selectmen on the fiscal year 2011 Town budget were approved (5-0-1).
- *Minutes of the March 11, 2010, Meeting:* A motion made by Mr. Barr to approve the minutes of the March 11, 2010, Finance Committee failed due to a lack of a majority of Finance Committee members voting (4-0-2).

Guests

Mark Carron, Board of Selectmen liaison to the Finance Committee, was in attendance at the meeting.

Also in attendance was Orleans Town Administrator John F. Kelly.

Discussion with the Town Administrator

Mr. Kelly responded to questions from Finance Committee members concerning the proposed operating and capital expenditures under Town fiscal year 2011 budgets.

Old Business

Fiscal Year 2011 Budget Reviews:

The Finance Committee continued its review of the proposed Town operating budget for fiscal year 2011. The following departments budgets were reviewed, and the indicated actions taken, during the meeting:

- Snow Library (budget code 610):
Approved as presented on a motion made by Ms. Holden Kelly (5-0-0).
- Human Services (budget code 542):
Approved as presented on a motion made by Mr. Siegel (6-0-0).
- Police Department (budget codes 210, 211, and 213):
Approved as presented on a motion made by Mr. Fuller (6-0-0).
- Water Department (budget code 450):
Approved as presented on a motion made by Mr. Barr (6-0-0).
- Parks and Beaches (budget code 650):
Approved as presented on a motion made by Mr. Rooker (6-0-0).
- Jonathan Young Windmill (budget code 649):
Approved as presented on a motion made by Mr. Rooker (6-0-0).
- Community Center (budget code 198):
Defeated on a motion to approve as presented made by Mr. Rooker (0-5-1).
The Finance Committee plans to revisit this vote at its March 25th meeting. The Finance Committee will seek clarification on whether the Community Center might provide a suitable site for the temporary housing of certain Highway Department employees who must be moved in the short-term from the facilities where these employees currently are housed owing to a mold problem.
- Town Buildings (budget code 192):
Defeated on a motion to approve as presented made by Mr. Rooker (0-6-0).
The Finance Committee plans to revisit this vote at its March 25th meeting. The vote reflects the Committee's desire for additional information concerning the proposed appropriation of \$30,000 to renovate the American Legion Hall to accommodate the relocation of certain Highway Department employees owing to a mold problem in the facilities where these individuals currently are housed. The Finance Committee will seek clarification on whether the proposed expenditures are intended to produce a temporary solution to the need to relocate these employees in the short-term or also are being pursued as an integral component of longer-termed plans to meet office space requirements associated with the creation of a Town Department of Public Works and Natural Resources.

- Tree (budget code 194):
Approved as presented on a motion made by Mr. Fuller (6-0-0).
- Highway (budget code 421):
Approved as presented on a motion made by Mr. Fuller (6-0-0).
- Snow Removal (budget code 423):
Approved as presented on a motion made by Mr. Fuller (6-0-0).
- Transfer Station (budget code 431):
Approved as presented on a motion made by Mr. Fuller (6-0-0).
- Selectmen/Town Administrator (budget code 122):
Approved as presented on a motion made by Mr. Fuller (6-0-0).
- Telephone/Communications (budget code 123):
Approved as presented on a motion made by Mr. Fuller (6-0-0).
- Media Operations (budget code 124):
Approved as presented on a motion made by Mr. Fuller (6-6-0).
- Town Clerk (budget code 161):
Approved as presented on a motion made by Mr. Fuller (6-0-0).
- Zoning Board of Appeals (budget code 176):
Approved as presented on a motion made by Mr. Fuller (6-0-0).
- Civil Defense (budget code 291):
Approved as presented on a motion made by Mr. Fuller (6-0-0).
- Veteran's Services (budget code 543):
Approved as presented on a motion made by Mr. Fuller (6-0-0).
- Old King's Highway Regional District (budget code 690):
Approved as presented on a motion made by Mr. Fuller (6-0-0).
- Memorial and Veteran's Day (budget code 692):
Approved as presented on a motion made by Mr. Fuller (6-0-0).
- Special Events and Information (budget code 699):
Approved as presented on a motion made by Mr. Fuller (6-0-0).

New Business

None

Board of Selectmen Reports

Postponed to a future meeting.

Department and Committee Liaison Reports

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Postponed to a future meeting.

Committee Liaison Reports

Postponed to a future meeting.


Future Meetings

- On March 25th, Orleans Fire Chief William P. Quinn, Jr. will meet with the Finance Committee to address questions concerning the Fire Department's proposed budget for fiscal year 2011.
- Mr. Fuller will continue to pursue a meeting between the Finance Committee and Orleans Elementary School (OES) officials to discuss the OES's fiscal year 2011 budget.

Adjournment

On a motion made by Mr. Fuller, the meeting was adjourned at 10:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted


Gwen A. Holden Kelly
Recording Secretary