

TOWN OF PRINCETON MA  
Princeton Advisory Committee  
Meeting Minutes  
April 17, 2019

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**AC members in attendance:** Wayne Adams, Judy Dino, Bill Lawton, and Mary Jo Wojtusik

**Absent:** George Handy, Helga Lyons, Krista Penning

Advisory Committee (AC) Agenda (5:00-7:00 PM)

Discuss operating budget

Discuss capital requests

Discuss other financial allocations to town funds and obligations

Discuss warrant articles, non-fiscal related, e.g. PB, citizens petitions, others

Readiness for 4/24 meeting

Approve Minutes from previous AC meeting(s)

### **Meeting Minutes**

**Meeting started at 5:11 PM**

#### **Operating Budget**

The AC anticipated meeting with the TA to discuss the project manager budget item and other items related to the budget and capital requests, but the TA was not present for the meeting. A preliminary project status sheet was provided to the AC by email.

There was a questions as to where expenses related to Bagg Hall stabilization (\$1.25M approved at ATM May 2019) appear in the FY2020 budget and why \$28K is being included in the FY20 budget under Deficit and Other Reductions. Inquiries for clarification will be made to the TA.

#### **Capital Requests**

Jane Weisman, Chair, Library Board of Trustees, joined the meeting to inquire and clarify the Library capital request for window repair. There was discussion about the clock tower repair (future capital request) and confirmation that the Trustees would be taking the lead on grant writing and pursuing sources of funding, including a request to the Town. There was further discussion about an overall approach to building maintenance including routine maintenance of the slate roof.

#### **Other financial allocations to town funds and obligations**

Allocations to be discussed at the next meeting include allocations to OPEB and Stabilization Funds.

#### **Warrant articles, non-fiscal related**

The AC briefly discussed the Citizen's Petition for a Bylaw change to create Finance Committee. Concerns were raised about the appointment process and the term of the appointment. Wayne Adams to provide feedback to the petitioners from the AC.

#### **Readiness for 4/24 meeting**

The AC expects to receive from the TA a draft warrant by the end of this week (19 April) for review and

discussion at the next AC meeting. Items to be discussed also include amendments from the Planning Board regarding Large Buildings and Mobile homes/trailers.

**Approve of meeting minutes from April 10th**

Minutes approved: Yes-4, No-0

**Meeting adjourned at 7:05 pm.**

Minutes recorded by Mary Jo Wojtusik, AC Member