

MINUTES OF  
TOWN OF SEEKONK FINANCE COMMITTEE  
SPECIAL MEETING  
November 30, 2015  
Seekonk High School

PRESENT: David Francis, Vice Chairperson  
Myrna Gagnon-Elderkin  
Karen Perkins  
Justin Sullivan

Town Administrator Shawn Cadime  
Director of Finance: Bruce Alexander

Mr. Francis called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

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Warrant for November 30, 2015 Town Meeting

The Committee asked that Mr. Cadime provide some information on the status of the Senior Center, the projected budget and the status of contingency for the project. Mr. Cadime explained that Article 5 is to make available funds in case unforeseen issues arise and to avoid the shutting down of the project until a town meeting to appropriate funds. Article 5 appropriates that money that was spent on the relocation of the former tenants, an unanticipated cost to the project, to be available if needed and not require that additional cost of remobilizing the contractor. Mr. Cadime assured the Committee that any funds not expended will be returned to the general fund.

Mr. Cadime continued to address Article 12, the request for funds to hire a consultant to design and implement a town wide phone system connecting all town and school buildings. Mr. Cadime explained the rationale that led to the creation of this article. The Committee asked if the CIC committee had addressed the issue. It was explained that a town wide system needed to be designed, in order for price estimates to be obtained. This approach is a comprehensive program and not a building by building program.

Article 5 Moved to Not Recommend Approval, Ms. Gagnon-Elderkin, and second Ms. Perkins (4-0)

Article 12 Recommend Approval, Ms. Gagnon-Elderkin, and second Mr. Sullivan (4-0)

Next Meeting

Tentative Tuesday, January 19, 2016, 6:30 PM @ Town Hall Meeting Room

Moved recess to Town Meeting, Ms. Perkins, second Mr. Sullivan (4-0) 6:50 p.m.

Town Meeting dissolved at 9:22 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Myrna Gagnon-Elderkin, Clerk