

# Town of Wayland Massachusetts

#### **Finance Committee**

David Watkins (Chair) Gordon Cliff Nancy Funkhouser Jen Gorke Carol Martin Klaus Shigley George Uveges

# Finance Committee Minutes November 15, 2016

Attendance: D. Watkins, G. Cliff, N. Funkhouser, J. Gorke, K. Shigley, and C. Martin, B. Keveny (Finance Director).

Location: Wayland High School Field House.

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by Chair David Watkins in the Wayland High School Field House at 6:35 pm. Mr. Watkins reviewed the agenda items to be discussed, indicated the meeting was being recorded by WayCam.

**Public Comment**: Ms. Linda Segal inquired as to whether the operating budget contemplated funds to complete the 2004 voted will of Town Meeting, which appropriated \$30,000 to rewrite the bylaws with the help of independent legal counsel. She was concerned that the Board has submitted no funding request to complete that project.

**Committee's Response to Public Comment:** D.Watkins responded by indicating that the preliminary operating budget information had not been shared with the Finance Committee yet and would be forthcoming.

**STM Article review, discussion and vote**: The committee decided to not open discussion or re-vote any articles being presented at STM.

**Goals, CIP Prioritization and five-year Program Review, Issues and Actions:** D. Watkins distributed a draft of the preliminary results of the FinCom five-year plan and indicated that B. Keveny will be further refining the plan prior to the next FinCom meeting. D. Watkins distributed a draft of the FY17 Goals for review at the next FinCom meeting.

Adjourn: Ms. Marin moved to adjourn at 6:55pm. Ms. Funkhouser seconded. Vote: 6, 0, 0 to adjourn.

Respectfully Submitted,

**Dave Watkins** 

## Documents:

D. Watkins FY17 Goals 10-24-2016 Meeting Minutes Capital Project Budget Workbook 11-15-16

### FY18 Goals:

Goal: Establish guidelines for operating budgets, capital projects, headcount.

Objective: Manage debt service policy to 10% and trend downward. Objective: Manage operating budget increases to 2.5%. Objective: Manage additional capital spending and resulting borrowing to not exceed \$5 million. Objective: Minimize additional headcount. Objective: Maintain AAA rating

#### Goal: Implement process and procedure for the ongoing review and oversight of municipal budgets and department operations, and reporting.

Objective: Include school budget in quarterly operating budget review. Objective: Include as part of capital planning process a 1-year capital plan and a 5-year capital program and publish results in the warrant. Objective: Complete and close capital budget by 12/15/2016. Objective: Complete and close operating budget by 2/5/2016. Objective: Follow and adhere to bylaws. Objective: Provide method for public access and distribution of meeting information.



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#### Finance Committee Minutes October 24, 2016

Attendance: D. Watkins, G. Cliff, N. Funkhouser, J. Gorke, G. Uveges, K. Shigley, and B. Keveny (Finance Director).

Location: Selectman's Meeting 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Conference Room in Town Building.

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Chair David Watkins in the selectman's meeting room at the Town Building at 7:00 pm. Mr. Watkins reviewed the agenda items to be discussed, indicated the meeting was being recorded by WayCam.

Public Comment: Mr. Watkins reviewed an email from Bill Steinberg regarding the appropriate debt levels of the Town and the use of free and capital cash to pay for Capital items. A discussion ensured regarding the topic.

Committee's Response to Public Comment: N/A

Report of the Finance Director: Mr. Keveny discussed the status of the FY 2016 financial report (CAFR) and that once finalized it would be presented to the Audit Committee and the Board of Selectman. He updated the committee on the DOR certification of "Free Cash" which is estimated to approximate \$4.6 to \$4.7 million and their position on the use of bond premiums from prior borrowings which, per the DOR, cannot be used to fund future capital projects but must be amortized over the life of the bond issue. Under the <u>The Municipal Modernization Act effective November 2016new-law</u>, future bond premiums can be used to fund capital items.

UniBank Presentation: Clark Rowell and Kristy Genga, representing UniBank, addressed the Committee to discuss Moody's bond rating methods and areas of concern as well as considerations that the Committee should be aware of. Topics discussed included:

 Moody's is concerned about the Town's use of free cash to fund operating expenses and the level of "unassigned cash reserves" as a % of the Town's budget. Over the last several years the amount of unrestricted cash reserves has decreased and the Town has forecasted that it will use \$1.5M of free cash in the next several years budget. UniBank recommended that we consider:

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2019	\$ 5,682,500	\$	1,750,000	\$	370,000	
2020	\$ 4,070,488	\$	1,680,000	\$	4,905,000	
2021	\$ 8,643,823	\$	1,400,000	\$	1,070,000	
2022	\$ 5,917,669	\$	1,210,000	\$	820,000	

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Recreation	Recreation Design Cock	Misc			30,000.00		
Recreation	Playground Design	Misc			25,000.00	-	-
Recreation	Hannah Williams Plays	Misc					25,000.00
Recreation	Playground Design	Misc					25,000.00
Recreation	Recreation Vehicle	Vehicle					50,000.00
Recreation	Capital field maintenan	Land Improvement					
Recreation	Alpine Field Design and	Land Improvement	25,000.00	208,008.00			
Recreation	Land Acquisition	Land Improvement			\$80,000.00		
Middle School	Music Space / Calli	building Repair			350,000.00	-	
Middle School	Stage Lighting	building Repair				15,000.00	
Middle School	The Replacement	building Repair					
Various locations	School Bus Relocation	Land Improvement	700,000.00				
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