



Town of Harvard
Finance Committee
Minutes for Aug 19, 2020

The Finance Committee Regular Meeting was held virtually in accordance with the Governor's Executive Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law, G.L.c.30A. S.20.

Present: Don Ludwig (chair), Jennifer Finch, Mark Buell, Richard Fellows, Ray Marchica, John Seeley, Eric Ward.

Absent: None.

Others: Tim Bragan - Town Administrator, Marie Sobalvarro - Assistant Town Administrator/HR Director.

Don Ludwig (chair) called the meeting to order at 7:01pm.

Minutes for approval: The minutes of August 12, 2020 were approved as amended and by roll call: Ludwig - aye, Seeley - aye, Buell - aye, Finch - aye, Marchica - aye. (5:0)

Public Commentary: None.

Town Administrator's report and meeting business:

The updated budget numbers include a move of funding from stabilization to the reserve fund, which will require passing of an article at town meeting.

Recommendation from the Finance Committee to reinstate the previously recommended cuts to Merit Pay (\$26,000) and the tree warden (\$10,000), and to move funds from the stabilization fund to reserve funds (\$200,000).

Ludwig - aye, Seeley - aye, Buell - aye, Finch - aye, Marchica - aye, Fellows - aye. (6:0)

Town meeting is currently expected to have 5 or 6 articles.

Old Library roof will need to have a temporary solution to ensure there is no damage from weather throughout the winter. The expectation is that tarps will be used, costing in the area of \$5000-6000, but final pricing has not been determined.

Future agenda items: Review draft warrant articles for town meeting.

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 7:35pm.

Supporting documents (1 Total):

1. Updated budget numbers

Upcoming meetings:

September 9, 2020 - 7pm - Zoom link will be available on the agenda when posted.

Respectfully submitted,

Eric Ward