FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2020

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEMBERS: Chairman, Joe Freitas. Secretary, Michele Hamilton. Members, Nancy Cajoli, Melinda Paine-Dupont.

Meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by Chairman, Joe Freitas.

Review and approve minutes from previous minutes January 13, 2020.

Motion was made and seconded to approve the postponing of approving minutes from previous meetings and unanimously voted for approval by the committee.

Motion was made and seconded to approve the amended minutes from a previous meeting and unanimously voted for approval by the committee.

Snow and Ice request.

Motion was made and seconded to approve increase funds needed for the remaining winter season snow and ice revenue. Unanimously voted approval by the committee

Working/Organization

Chairman Joe Freitas, began the meeting by introducing the appointment of Heather Martin-Sterling as the new Town of Berkley Administrator. This appointment is an asset to our community and the Finance Committee is looking forward to working with Ms. Martin-Sterling.

We are "kicking off" our Fiscal Budget Season of 2021 and Chairman Joe Freitas indicated that on February 24, 2020, fact finding begins with the K-8 Berkley system and to please review, research, prepare questions that we may have to help the committee as a whole to work out a budget that can work for the schools as well as the Berkley community.

Listed below are some of the topics brought up to review;

- The DLS Preliminary Cherry sheets were in our packets for both Somerset/Berkley High School and the Berkley K-8.
- School asking for 3.710% and this does not include high ticket items that need to be considered.
- School sending concerns.
- Capital improvements and funding.

Other Business.

A request was made by Chairman Joe Freitas to send a response to the email received by Charlene of the Planning Board and a letter inviting the Superintendent Tom Lynch.

Discussion on OSHA and the need to invite them to come and do a walk through inspection of our public buildings/areas. Right now this option is free and in the future it will cost the town.

A motion was made and seconded to approve (roughly $16,000.00) for Fire Station 2 well system. Unanimously voted for approval by the committee.

Chairman Joe Freitas called for a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:50 pm. Motion made and seconded. The committee unanimously approved the adjournment.

2.24.2020.

Michele Hamilton 2.24.2020

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