

TOWN OF CARVER

Carver Finance Committee

108 Main Street Carver, MA 02330

Meeting Minutes of October 15, 2020 @ 6:15 PM Carver Middle High School Library

Present: Alan Germain; Chairman, Members: Bill Cullum, Adam Holmes, Patrick Kenneally, Elizabeth Sulger, Marie Zweigman and Town of Carver Finance Director; Meg LaMay

Also present: Recording Secretary, Kelly Dicarli

Absent: Members: Kathryn Bandzul; Vice Chairman, Members: George Callahan, Bill Duggan, Patrick Meagher, and Kevin Sullivan

Meeting Opened: 6:21 P.M.

I: Pledge of Allegiance

II: Finance Director update: Financial status, Financial forecast, and discussion for supporting Town Meeting Warrant Articles

- A. Article 1: Fiscal Year 2021 Revised Operating Budget for the Town.
 - 1. Meg LaMay discussed the revenue forecast and started to see receipts decreasing from April, May and June Part of decrease was noted due to King Richards Faire and Edaville out of commission.
 - 2. Meg LaMay discussed the Town revenue projection, completed balanced budget, and reviewed either budget cuts or use other revenue for funding.
 - 3. Chairman Germain invited discussion by the Board Members.
 - a. None
 - 4. Member Holmes made a motion to support Article 1. Seconded by Member Sulger. Voted and passed unanimously, 6-0
- B. Article 2: Capital Improvements Budget
 - 1. Meg LaMay discussed the reduction transfer to trust fund, reducing fund to capital budget, and the stabilization plan. Reviewed the capital plan and what to defer:
 - i. School department decided not to purchase two (2) buses.
 - ii. Library arch renovation
 - 2. Chairman Germain invited discussion by the Board Members.
 - a. None
 - 3. Member Holmes made a motion to support Article 2. Seconded by Member Zweigman. Voted and passed unanimously, 6-0
 - 4. Member Holmes noted to say, "Thank You" to the School Committee, given the capital expense reduction the School Department will "make it work."
- C. Article 3: Unpaid Bills from the Following Year.
 - 1. Unpaid bills from the previous fiscal year were not submitted for payment prior to June 30, 2020, and in order to have bill paid needs to come before town meeting per Mass General Law.
 - 2. Meg LaMay discussed the bills and funding source.
 - 3. Member Holmes made a motion to support Article 3. Seconded by Member Sulger. Voted and passed unanimously, 6-0

- D. Article 4: Close Out the Elementary School Project
 - 1. Meg LaMay discussed the rationale for remaining funding from the Elementary School Project. Given the remainder of funding will need to be returned to the general fund and applied to the Police Station Project.
 - 2. Member Zweigman made a motion to support Article 3. Seconded by Chairman Germain. Voted and passed unanimously, 6-0
- E. Article 5: Amend the Carver, Marion, Wareham Regional Refuse Disposal District (CMWRRDD) Agreement approved by the CMRRDD Committee.
 - 1. This article will be voted as written and determine to close the district. If a "Yes" vote is noted, this will support Article 5 to close the transfer station.
 - 2. Member Holmes noted during the reference of the term "district" it consists of three (3) towns and nine (9) people. Member Holmes discussed the voting within the district, possible ways to operate and pay for transfer station and historically how it was paid.
 - 3. It was noted the Board of Selectmen voted 2-3; not to recommend this (against)
 - 4. Chairman Germain inquired The Finance Committee representation to Article 5.
 - 5. Member Kenneally made a motion to support Article 5 to close the transfer station. Member Sulger. Voted and passed unanimously, 6-0

III: Committee Member Comments

A. Member Holmes discussed with the Finance Committee he attended the previous Board of Selectmen meeting to which they discussed number of policies within the Town (i.e., social media, code of conduct, and financial management policies) Member Holmes noted the Board of Selectmen discussed specifically items from the financial management policy to which items were taken out and wording changed. Member Holmes inquired to have the Board of Selectmen start building reasons and justification regarding such changes toward the financial policies, and in such case, to review changes with the Finance Committee Chairman; Alan Germain and the Finance Director; Meg LaMay.

IV: Next meeting date and time

A. Finance Committee Meeting: Monday, October 26, 2020 at 7 P.M.

V: Public comment

A: None

VI: Adjournment

A. Member Holmes made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Member Zweigman. Voted and passed unanimously, 6-0

Meeting adjourned at 6:56 P.M.

Respectfully submitted, Kelly DiCarli