



# TOWN OF CARVER

## Carver Finance Committee

108 Main Street  
Carver, MA 02330

Meeting Minutes of November 9, 2020  
@ 7:00 PM via Zoom

Present: Alan Germain; Chairman. Members: Bill Cullum, Bill Duggan, Adam Holmes, Patrick Kenneally, Patrick Meagher, Elizabeth Sulger, and Marie Zweigman

Also present: Meg LaMay; Town Finance Director and Recording Secretary, Kelly Dicarli

Absent: George Callahan, Kevin Sullivan, and Rick LaFond; Carver Town Administrator

Meeting Opened: 7:02 P.M.

I: Meeting Opened:

A. Public Comment

1. None

B. Nominate and vote: Vice Chairman.

1. Member Sulger made a motion to elect Adam Holmes to the position as Vice-Chairperson of the Finance Committee. Seconded by Member Zweigman. Voted and passed unanimously, 8-0

C. Grant applications: Health Imperatives and Shane Gives Thanks.

1. Health Imperatives Inc.

a. Jennifer Allison from Health Imperatives Inc completed an overview of the organization.

- i. Health Imperatives serves mostly low-income individuals and families from South East Massachusetts, serving 68 communities.
- ii. In 2019, Health Imperatives served 152 residents of Carver and in this current fiscal year served about 116 residents of Carver.
- iii. Health Imperatives, to name a few, provides communities 24/7 hotline for domestic violence, mental health counseling, support groups, educational classes, advocacy services, violence prevention education, WIC assistance, and sexual reproductive health care (HIV testing and prevention, STD testing, birth control, pregnancy testing, etc.).
- iv. Jennifer Allison noted that 100% of the grant funding expended back to Carver residents. The cost to serve Carver community is approximately \$90,000 a year. Of that, \$66,000 covers personal cost and \$24,000 for program supplies etc.
- v. Member Sulger made a motion approve the grant application for Health Imperatives Inc for \$5,000. Seconded by Member Holmes. Voted and passed unanimously, 8-0

2. Shane Gives Thanks

a. Krystle Cole from Shane Gives Thanks completed an overview of the organization.

- i. Shane Gives Thanks is the only food pantry in the Town of Carver, it relays on 100% donation, all volunteers, and is open 4 days per week.
- ii. Twenty-five (25) students are enrolled in the school system and Twenty-five (25) students enrolled that are home schooled or full remote in the organization.
- iii. The pantry had 990 visitors last month and of those visitors, 722 were families from Carver. They have had an increase in Senior Citizens and additional support to provide veterans with extra food.
- iv. Member Holmes made a motion approve the grant request for Shane Gives Thanks for \$5,000. Seconded by Member Kenneally. Voted and passed unanimously, 8-0

D. Minutes: Reviewed minutes of October 26, 2020

1. Member Sulger made a motion to accept the minutes from October 26, 2020. Seconded by Member Kenneally Voted and passed unanimously, 5-0

E. Any topics not reasonably anticipated by the chairman 48 hours in advance.

1. Meg LaMay noted the finance department is in the process of completing the FY20, management letter, and tax rate. The Finance Department sent out budget request last week and is due prior to Thanksgiving.
2. Chairman Germain noted the Select board is seeking to have the Finance Committee weigh in on the Finance Policies by-law to review any changes or keep as current. Chairman Germain agrees with this notion.

F. Next meeting date and time:

1. Finance Committee Meeting: TBD

G. Committee member comments

1. None

H. Adjournment

1. Member Holmes made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Member Duggan. Voted and passed unanimously, 8-0

Meeting adjourned at 7:40 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,  
Kelly DiCarli

Voted & Approved