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FINANCE COMMITTEE MINUTES / August 2, 2018 at 7pm

Town Hall-Community Room - 1st Floor

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Members

Shaun Galliher
Chris Pike
Mary Rice
Russ Parks
Viv Mason

Absent

Dick Scialabba
Earl Peck
Ray Bolduc
Heather Brown

Other

Harvey Drosehn, Select Board
Bob Graves, Town Administrator
Jack Adams

The meeting was opened at 7:05pm.

A motion was made and seconded to accept the minutes of the July 5, 2018 meeting as written. The motion passed unanimously.

Chairman Galliher reported that the books are not closed yet and he was concerned that there is a fair amount left in some accounts. He also asked Bob Graves to explain some of the carryover accounts. He suggested creating a list of accounts carried over so we know what was actually spent in each one. Bob explained some of them and will get back to the Committee with more information on the others.

Bob reported that he is constantly reviewing grants that become available and asked for some direction from the Committee as to what type of grant he should be looking at i.e., infrastructure, matching, etc. He also will try to make sure there are no duplicates between departments. He would like to form a process for reviewing those applied for and available.

Chairman Galliher reported that the Water Sewer Commissioners met to discuss the EDUs assigned to commercial properties. They approved the proposed water EDUs but tabled the Sewer EDUs until Dave Prickett, the consultant to the Water Sewer Committee, can review them. He also noted that the sewer flow meters now indicate that Sewer 1 and Sewer 111 have actually flipped percentages with Sewer 1 around 40% and Sewer 111 around 60% (it was 40/60 respectively).

The Committee discussed the issue of employees donating their sick time for an injured employee that is not able to work due to an injury that is not work related. Although it is done in the private sector, the rules are much different for municipalities.

Chairman Galliher also reported that the Select Board voted to make the retirement age for our firefighters at 70 yrs old. This is reflective of the McNamara Law and the Firemen's Association is looking into options.

Bob Graves reported that the Recreation Association (Lions Club) want to sell the Lions Club Beach to the town. Bob is getting more information from the owners.

The next regular meeting of this Committee is Thursday, September 6, 2018 at 7pm in the Town Hall Community Room. A motion was made and seconded to adjourn at 8:06 pm. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
Mary A. Rice, Secretary