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FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES / August 3, 2017

Members:

Dick Scialabba
Viv Mason
Shaun Galliher
Heather Brown
Chris Pike
Mary Rice

Absent:

Earl Peck
Ray Bolduc
Justin Gilardi

Other:

Laurel Scialabba, SB Chair
Bill Pike

The meeting was opened at 7:03pm.

There was no public comment.

A motion was made and seconded to accept the minutes of the July 6, 2017 Finance meeting as written. The motion passed with Viv Mason abstaining.

Chairman Scialabba asked if everyone had a chance to review the year-end report from Charlie Brown, Town Accountant. The following items were discussed;

Tax Title – 17K appropriated, 12K not expended and 17K appropriated again this year?
Highway carryovers – include the roof extensions at the garage, they found someone to do it.
Town waste – 82.5K appropriated, 66,500 expended. The storage unit has been ordered.
Landfill monitoring wells – it had mistakenly been reported that some contamination went to nearby houses, we have had three (3) years now with good readings.
Negative balance in mosquito control – they billed us more than we knew about.
Infrastructure engineering should not be under highway.
Council on Aging - \$1,500 is to be used to co-ordinate busing but has not been expended yet, we are hoping to get our own van.

Overlay surplus has been verified by Charlie to be \$83,037. The next question would be how much do the Assessors need? What they don't need should be released back to the General Fund.

The Committee discussed the next budget process and one request by Finance is that we get a copy of the original request submitted by the department head. We were provided a spreadsheet but not the original request.

Once again, the Committee discussed the ongoing absences of several committee members. One member had attended 5 meetings out of the 14 held, last fiscal year to date.

The next regular meeting of this committee is Thursday, September 7, 2017 at 7pm in the Town Hall Community room.

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn at 7:50pm. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
Mary A. Rice, Secretary