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FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES / September 6, 2018 at 7pm

Town Hall-Community Room, 1stFloor

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Members	Absent	Other
Shaun Galliher	Earl Peck	Bob Graves, Town Administrator
Mary Rice	Chris Pike	David Stuart, Moderator
Russ Parks		
Viv Mason		
Ray Bolduc		
Heather Brown		
Dick Scialabba		

The meeting was opened at 7:05 pm.

A motion was made and seconded to accept the minutes of the August 2, 2018 meeting as written. The motion passed unanimously.

Chairman Galliher reported that the Accountant's year end report is not quite ready. He also questioned why Summer Road Maintenance was carried forward. Bob Graves, Town Administrator, will have that answer for the next meeting. Chairman Galliher would also like a list of the end of the year carryovers.

Chairman Galliher reported that there has been an additional Vocational Student that recently moved into town. This can be addressed at a future meeting for funding as this is the beginning of the school year and the billing has not yet been received.

Chairman Galliher reported that the Assessors are on track to have the tax rate set and get the Real Estate bills out in November.

Bob Graves reported that he is waiting for the report and quote from Berkshire Engineering to address the issues at the landfill. From what he understands, all the trees must be cut down and the edges pushed back, and 2' of clay put on top of the landfill that should have been done years ago when the landfill was covered. This could be a very expensive project. Also there is approximately \$141,000 projected for Plunkett Lake issues and he is looking for grants to help fund this. One of the Belmont Dam drain pipes appears to be plugged; Larry Turner is looking into how to fix this.

Bob also discussed Conservation issues; Lake Management Committee; Ashmere weed treatment and the permit process; the dams are still listed as High Hazard (because they are all earthen dams); he is waiting for the contract for the solar project at highway garage and firehouse.

Bob also reported that the contracts will be awarded next week for the projects in the Town Hall including the entrance doors and ramps, and work approved for the Police Department. There may be a grant available of up to 250K for ADA compliance projects such as the new entrance doors and repair of the ramps.

The next regular meeting of this Committee is Thursday, October 4, 2018 at 7pm in the Town Hall Community Room. A motion was made and seconded to adjourn at 7:35pm. The motion passed unanimously

Respectfully submitted,

Mary A. Rice, Secretary