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Notice of Public Meeting – (As required by G.L. c. 30 A, c. §18-25)

DEPT./BOARD:  Ways and Means
DATE:  Wednesday, May 8, 2019
Time  7:00 PM
PLACE: Town Hall Meeting Room

AGENDA

• Pledge of Allegiance
• Public Comments
• Town Warrant Articles (may be discussed in a different order)
  o 2 Transfer of Funds FY2019
  o 18 SCHOOLS Approval of School Transportation Contract
  o 21 TH1 Economic Development Director
  o 22 TH1 Fund Admin and Professional Classification Plan
  o 23 TH1 Fund Part Time Plan
  o 24 POLICE Fund Police Patrol Contract
  o 25 POLICE Fund Command Contract
  o 26 FIRE Fund Fire Contract
  o 27 DPW Fund DPW Contract
  o 28 TH1 Fund BMEA Contract
  o Other May Town meeting financial articles (if any)
• Special Town meeting warrant item (Warrant and materials are attached)
  o 2 TH1 - Municipal Affordable Housing Trust Fund
• Review of minutes
• Adjourn
Present: Roger Riggs-Chairman, Steve Morin- Vice-Chairman, Doug Davidson, Phil Gallagher, Susan Harrigan, John Iler, Jayashree Voruganti, Tom Killilea and Mike Hardy

Absent: Sonia Rollins, Diane Creedon,

A quorum being present, the meeting was called to order at 7:00

Guests:
Paul Saragino, Jr. -Interim Town Administrator
John Danizio – Town Accountant. Town Assistant Administrator
Nicole Coscio-
Robert Cunha
Christine Monaco – School Committee member
Fire Chief Steve Yetman
Kevin Sullivan

Pledge of Allegiance
Public Comments

Town Warrant Article

2 Transfer of Funds FY2019 withdrawn Due to changes in the law

18 SCHOOLS Approval of School Transportation Contract Subcommittee met and voted 5-0 to approve the contract. Discussion included there was a consultant hired to help with the contract and there was only 1 bid. The contract will be folded into operating and accommodating account budget. Increase is between 22%-28% on bus rates. Bus monitors will be employed by bus company, fuel price adjustments and cola for the contract. There will be the same number of buses provided for field trips, late buses and sports. Further discussion included: 1) possibility of purchasing buses 2) changing the length of the contract 3) change in service levels to reduce the cost, 4) increase walkers, 5) the need to have transportation 6) number of people utilizing transportation, 7) is there an option to get out of contract 8) impact on tax levy

Motion made and seconded to approve the contract – accommodating and operating budget 8-2-0.

21 TH1 Economic Development Director Subcommittee met and voted 1-1 to create the position and fund it. Members felt there was not enough details regarding the position.

Discussion included the position would be the primary contact for businesses and assist in the process, town has done very well without the position, position would report to
Town Administration, business climate is changing, possibility of hiring for 2 years to lay
the groundwork and set goals, pay will be between 80,000 to 106,000. Motion made
and seconded to fund the $85,000 position. 4-5-0

22 TH1 Fund Admin and Professional compensation Plan Subcommittee met and
voted 2-0 to approve the $92,463 from the negotiated Settlement Account. Discussion
included the 2.5% increase and it is a 1 year contract. Motion made and seconded to
support the compensation plan. 8-0-0

23 TH1 Fund Part Time Plan Subcommittee met and voted 2-0 to approve the
$4,120 to fund the plan. Discussion include there will be a 2.5% for one year for
employees under 20 hours and 2% for seasonal workers. Motion made and seconded
to support the plan. 8-0-0

24 POLICE Fund Police Patrol Contract Subcommittee met and voted 2-0 to
approve the 1 year contract for the patrolmen. Discussion included there is a 2.5
% increase, there is an increase in price of details Motion made and seconded to fund the
transfer from Negotiated Settlement Account. 10-0-0.

25 POLICE Fund Command Contract withdrawn

26 FIRE Fund Fire Contract – Subcommittee met and voted 2-0 to approve the
$296,095 for the contract. Discussion included reorganization required for the
upcoming ALS service, the contract is for FY 18, FY 19 and FY20. 2.5% increase each
year and 12% for Paramedics, training, ALS is costing town money, decrease in
ambulance services, and there is a change in the calls they are handling. Motion made
and seconded to approve the contract. 9-0-1 (Tom)

27 DPW Fund DPW Contract Subcommittee met and voted 2-0 to approve the
transfer to $77,891. Discussion included step increases, 3yr contract, 1st and 2nd 2.5%
increase and 1.75 for 2022. Motion made and seconded to transfer the money from the
negotiated account. 10-0-0

28 TH1 Fund BMEA Contract Subcommittee met and voted 2-0 to approve the
$155,472 to fund the Municipal Employees’ contract. Discussion included it was a 3
year contract. 2.5 the first and second years and 1.75 the 3rd year. Motion made and
seconded to support the contract

Special Town meeting warrant item

Municipal Affordable Housing Trust Fund

Article 1 Withdrawn

Article 2- establish a trust fund (restricted account) for affordable housing -117 South
Bedford St. subcommittee met and vote 1-1. Discussion included the 40B agreed to
pay $60,000 for affordable needs, there is already $40,000. This fund would take the
control out of the Town Meeting and give it to the Board of Selectman, the need for
senior housing and there is a difference between Burlington Housing Authority and affordable housing committee, and there appears to be a lot of things to be figured out.

Motion made and seconded to support the fund. 4-5-0 Phil,Frank,Doug,Steve and John

Motion made and seconded to approve the minutes

Adjourn - Motion made and seconded to adjourn. All members voted to adjourn.