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Finance Committee Meeting Minutes

July 13, 2021

Members Present: Daniel Norian, Derek Staffier, Richard Jordan, James Norian

Members Not Present: Judith Leggett, Shannon Coffey

Also Present: Selectmen Beckerman, Greg Enos, Town Administrator, Lynne McKenney, Recording secretary, Scott Hulien

Chairman Daniel Norian announced that pursuant to Governor Baker's March 12, 2020 Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law, G.L. c. 30A, Subchapter 20 and the Governor's March 23, 2020 Order imposing limitations on the number of people that may gather in one place, this hearing of the Finance Committee will be conducted via remote participation. No in-person attendance of members of the public was permitted, but every effort was made to ensure that the public can adequately access the proceedings as provided for in the Order. Chairman Daniel Norian reminded the viewing audience that persons who would like to view this meeting while in progress may do so by joining the Zoom link for the videoconference in session.

Daniel Norian, Chair called the meeting to order at 7:15 p.m. with all members present except Judith Leggett and Shannon Coffey. Each Board member acknowledged their presence at the meeting by responding in the affirmative during the roll call.

Meeting Minutes

A motion was made by Derek Staffier to forgo the reading of the meeting minutes, seconded by Richard Jordan. There was no discussion on the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Derek Staffier voted aye, Richard Jordan voted aye, James Norian voted aye, and Daniel Norian voted aye.

Discussion

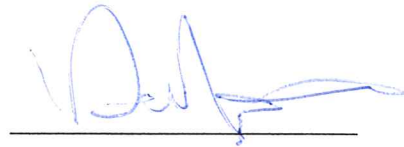
A motion was made by Richard Jordan to approve the \$25,000 line transfer from Medical and Life Personal Services to be transferred to Technology expenses, seconded by Derek Staffier. Mr. Greg Enos, Town Administrator explained the reasoning behind the line item transfer is due to the extra costs of technology. Mr. Enos explained items that were ordered previously took three to four months to receive them due to COVID. Some invoices were not received or received late. Richard Jordan

explained how important technology is. A roll call vote was taken. James Norian voted aye, Derek Staffier voted aye, Richard Jordan voted aye, and Daniel Norian voted aye.

Mr. Greg Enos and the Finance Committee discussed that the line item transfer of \$15,000 from Medical and Life Insurance Personal Services to be transferred to Technology Expenses does not need to be transferred due to the previous line item transfer of \$25,000. Scott Hulien agrees with this discussion.

Richard Jordan discussed an email that he sent the Members of the Finance Committee regarding the Pioneer Institute Analysis on various towns in Norfolk County. He was surprised to see that the Town of Avon expenditures are \$5,000 per person. Neighboring towns like Canton and Stoughton are only spending \$2,700 to \$3,400 as of 2017. Revenues are also at the highest levels of Norfolk County coming in at \$ 6,223. Stoughton and Canton are half that. Mr. Enos explained that part of that is due to the fact that other towns receive a lot more state aid than smaller towns. Certain departments in the Town of Avon are not run with a full department. The industrial park is part of that.

The Finance Committee meeting adjourned at 7:24 p.m.



Dan Norian, Chair