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Avon Finance Committee -Meeting Minutes April 2, 2018

Members Attending: Eric Beckerman, Jonathon Madore, Gary Martin, Dan Norian

Absent: Phil Fowler, Jarrett Beeley, Mike Wilson

Others Attending: Jim Quaglia, Steve Moore: Blue Hills School, Mr. Staffier

Eric opened the Finance Committee meeting at 7:05P.M. Welcoming everyone

➤ **Old Business:** Recap Prior meeting.

➤ **New Business-**

Jim Quaglia and Steve Moore from Blue Hills Regional School presented budget. Avon assessment: 114K for renovations, plus usual charges. Assessment and usual charges are separate. They received favorable bond terms, had highest rating. Discussed cost per student \$17,300 and Avon's increase this year. (a higher percentage of Blue Hills enrollment is from Avon) Rick noticed that the BOS budget used the FY18 assessment (908K for Blue Hills, instead of the FY19 (1,021,804) a 113K difference in the budget.

Blue Hills also spent money to acquire IP addresses towards the future. Mr. Staffier in attendance, expressed concern over Chapter 70B foundation budget, school reimbursements, etc.

➤ **Approve Minutes-** Gary made a motion, seconded by Dan to approve minutes of March 26th, 2018, unanimous vote in favor.

➤ **Approve Warrant-**None

➤ **Request For Transfer from the Reserve Fund –** None

➤ **Request for Line Item Transfer –**None

➤ **Discussion:** Eric stated that after speaking with Selectman Rose; we many need to extent Town Meeting. When to make the decision to postpone is unknown at this time. Eric asked Mr. Staffier about delaying Town Meeting; Mr. Staffier made the point of using the Town Accountant at Town Meeting: What is the excess capacity.

Gary stated that Parks & Recreation are looking for a \$25K increase, most of that is for two part time coordinators.

There were Budget discussions on the Fire Department and Library.

- Review Memos, Letters, notices and other correspondence and mail. Public Questions
- The next Finance Committee meeting is April 9, 2018.
- Motion was made by Gary, seconded by Jon to adjourn Finance Committee Meeting, at 9:05 P.M. Unanimous vote in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Eric Beckerman – Chairman Finance Committee

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Janette Ruff", with a stylized flourish at the end.