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Avon Finance Committee -Meeting Minutes February 22, 2018

Members Attending: Eric Beckerman, Jarrett Beeley, Mike Wilson, Jonathon Madore, James

Panagopoulos, Phil Fowler

Absent:

Gary Martin

Others Attending: Kimberly Brown, Town Accountant; Gene Mazzella, Council on Aging; William Fitzgerald, DPW

Eric opened the Finance Committee meeting at 7:00 P.M. welcoming everyone

> Old Business: Recap Prior meeting.

> New Business-

Kimberly Brown, Town Accountant presented the old Town article list that Eric requested. Items discussed were:

Regionalization study committee spending ATM 2014

Public safety building committee

Fire Department staff study

Generator for Town Hall

HVAC for Town Hall

Firefighter equipment ATM 2012

Building Commissioner Truck \$5,000 remaining

Library, roof, and carpet

- Council on Aging Gene Mazzella: discussed budget. Mr. Mazzella is looking for raises for cooks, and drivers. Mr. Mazzella stated that Avon staff are underpaid compared to surrounding Towns. Eric thanked Mr. Mazzella for coming to the Finance Committee meeting.
- ▶ DPW William Fitzgerald: discussed budget, Mr. Fitzgerald is looking for salary increases for DPW workers. Supplies and maintenance level funded. Importance of filling assistant director position to manage field projects and ongoing system upgrades such as engineering solutions to make town system more efficient.

Mr. Fitzgerald stated that he has brought over one million dollars of grant money for various projects throughout town. Also there is higher than usual overtime for water because of issues with alarm system, which is in the process of being fixed. There are summer seasonal intern positions available at \$15.00 hour. Mr. Fitzgerald also stated that Page Street water tank needs to be either refurbished or replaced. DPW is exploring which option is more cost effective and possible payment mechanisms. Eric thanked Mr. Fitzgerald for attending the Finance Committee meeting.

- ➤ Public Safety Building Committee per town by-law all departments and boards are to submit all money spent previous fiscal year, and expected money to be spent in the upcoming fiscal year, to Finance Committee. We have not received anything from the Public Safety Building Committee or the Designer Selection Committee for the previous several years.
- ➤ Finance Committee is reviewing old articles (3 years or older) any articles that have not been at least partially used will be considered for revocation and used for the funding of new articles.
- > Approve Minutes- Table to March 5th, 2018
- > Approve Warrant-None
- > Request For Transfer from the Reserve Fund None
- > Request for Line Item Transfer None
- > Review Memos, Letters, notices and other correspondence and mail. Public Questions
- ➤ The next Finance Committee meeting is March 5, 2018. Will plan to meet at Avon Public Library. Meet with BOS if their schedule permits.
- Motion was made by Mike, seconded by James to adjourn Finance Committee Meeting, at 9:32 P.M. Unanimous vote in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Eric Beckerman - Chairman Finance Committee