Westhampton, MA Finance Committee Meeting Minutes February 1, 2023

Meeting commenced at 7:00pm in person at Town Hall.

Attending members: Tad Weiss, Steve Holt, Jake Antosz, Marilyn Witherell, Scott Stanton, Barbara Pelissier. Also in attendance Doug Finn.

Voted to accept meeting minutes from 01/25/23 Motion Passed 6-0-0

• Overview of calendar dates was reviewed and placed in the finance committee calendar found in the town website materials.

FY24 Line Items for review

- Selectboard Expense
- Document Management System

Likely not continuing with this service.

- Independent Audit Slight increase to 18,000.00 due to anticipated numbers similar to other towns.
- Assessors Expense Slight increase, mainly cola.
- Treasurer Expense Level funded.
- Tax Title Expense Level funded
- Tax Taking Expense Level funded.
- **Council Fees** Continue with the current number of 20,000.00, depending upon unforeseen issues etc., this number has been a fair estimate.
- Town Clerk Expense Decrease in budget due to 2 fewer elections.
- Clerk Board of Registrars Level funded.
- Town Offices Expense Expected some degree of increase primarily due to utilities costs.
- Town Hall & Annex Repairs Level funded.
- Cemetery Commission Level funded currently.
- Foothills Health District Level funded.
- **Cultural Council** Slight reduction of 25.00, postage expense related.
- Long Term Debt Public Safety Construction This is the confirmed number as stated in the budget. 256,800.00 for FY24.

Vote to adjourn meeting, 8:16pm

Respectfully submitted Jake Antosz