

## Westhampton Finance Committee Meeting Minutes

1/21/21

Meeting began at 7pm on Zoom.

Attending: Mary Cleary (Chair), Steve Holt, Pat Miller, Sarah Mulvehill, Barbara Pelissier, Jeremy Durrin, Tad Weiss, Jake Antosz (Secretary). Also attended: Todd Alexander, Wally Marek, Dave Zagorski, Walter Morrey.

1. Accept meeting minutes from 1/7/21. VOTE 7-0-1
2. Hampshire budget meeting brief overview.
3. Building department budget, Wally Marek and Todd Alexander were inspectors present. Todd explained proposed budget and inspector salaries. Plumbing and electrical based on number of inspections. Online permitting system in the works 4,000 dollar a year expense. Department received 10,000 IT grant. Codebook update possibly in f22 budget, and an increase in continuing ed. budget.
4. Assessors budget, Assessors assess properties in town. No software conversion or revaluations caused money to come off the budget. No additions this year.
5. Upcoming dates 2/27/21 special town meeting for public safety building. 3/6/21 ballot vote.
6. Next scheduled meeting 2/4/21 with Library, Police and Fire. Meet on Jan. 28 or Feb. 11 with public safety committee.
7. Discussion and overview on budgeting in town. We vote on one line of the budget for departments, with exception of highway dept and schools. Free cash that was not used last fiscal year is money we can use next fiscal year for various expenses or free cash fund or stabilization fund. Organize budgets so they are easy to find and review.
8. Vote to adjourn meeting: VOTE 8-0-0.

Respectfully,  
Jake Antosz