

Westhampton Finance Committee Meeting Minutes
January 21, 2020

Meeting opened at 7:00 pm

Present: Tom Cleary (chair), Peter Montague, Mary Cleary, Steve Holt, Sarah Mulvehill, Tad Weiss, Pat Miller, Andrew Klyman, and Chevy Seney (secretary)

Also Present: Thomas Quinlan (Building Inspector)

Motion to accept the minutes from the December 17th 2019 meeting was approved.

Vote: 8-0-1

FY21 Budget Planning

The Building Inspector presented the FY21 budget proposal. He made note of two proposed expenses; Code Books and Point On-Line Permitting. He also presented two options regarding future Building Inspector compensation. Annual fee collection and the number of permits issued were provided.

Correspondence

A letter from the Library Trustees was shared. The trustees are seeking input as to how best to include a request for money to paint the library into their FY21 budget proposal. The committee will respond via e-mail (Chairman Tom Cleary) regarding the impact of creating another budget line item for Library General Maintenance.

Hampshire Regional High School sought feedback regarding the Capital Planning Draft that was shared with the committee. The general position of members of the committee was NOT to separate the High School Capital Planning Budget from the Educational Operations Budget. However, the committee felt that the Capital Planning spreadsheet would be useful when explaining the overall HRHS Budget. It should be made available to the towns.

Nomination to Capital Improvement Planning Committee

Tad Weiss was nominated as the Finance Committee Member to join the Capital Improvement Planning Committee

Vote: 9-0-0

Next Meeting: February 4, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.

Motion to adjourn at 8:06 passed.

Vote: 9-0-0

Respectfully submitted,

Chevy Seney