

Westhampton Finance Committee Meeting Minutes

3/14/2022

Meeting began at 7:00PM on Zoom.

Attending: Tad Weiss, Steve Holt, Pat Miller, Marilyn Witherell, Barbara Pelissier, Andy Klyman, Jake Antosz. Also attending, Todd Alexander, Joseph Henning.

Vote to accept meeting minutes from 3-7-2022: **VOTE** 7-0-0.

Building Inspectors:

- Inspector Compensation: Building commissioner 6,000.00 per year rate for Tom Quinlan for a 3-year period.
- Building Inspector Comp: 22,000.00 split between the two inspectors Todd Alexander and Wally Marek. Based on an estimated number of hours. Plumbing and electric inspections based on an estimate of 120 inspections per year at 50.00 each. 6,000.00 estimate.
- Department Expenses: Fairly Level only increase is the data subscription for department iPads. Codebooks have not been updated yet.
- Digitization of town records remains a priority of the department.

Veterans Agent:

- Assist veterans with benefits, reimbursements, prescriptions, etc. in town. Helping assist with the process of gaining and navigating these benefits.
- Slight increase in Agent Salary(minimal).
- Veterans Expense: This money is reimbursement money paid to veterans' benefits. A portion of this is reimbursed to the town by the state. About 75% of this is reimbursed by the state.

Long Term Debt Public Safety Complex:

- 256,800.00 per year. Interest and principal are included in this.

Tree Warden:

- Fairly level across salary and expenses. Salary increased at the cost-of-living adjustment.
- Possibility of finding funds to increase plantings of trees in town.

Highway Dept. Clarification questions on the breakdown of snow removal expense, and Don's hours at the transfer station.

Next Meeting March 21. Hampshire Regional and Westhampton Elementary Schools.

Vote to adjourn meeting 8:16 PM: **VOTE**: 7-0-0.

Respectfully,
Jake Antosz