

## Town of Medway

## FINANCE COMMITTEE

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November 14, 2016 Medway High School, Room 113-1 88 Summer Street

Present: Frank Rossi, Chair; Rohith Ashok, Vice Chair; Todd Alessandri, Clerk; Dan Doherty, Ellen Hillery, Meghan Hoffman, Jeff O'Neill, Jim Sullivan.

Absent: Michael Schrader.

Others Present: Glenn Trindade, Chair, Board of Selectmen; Mark Cerel, Town Meeting Moderator.

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At 6:36 PM Chairman Rossi called the meeting to order.

## <u>Final Preparations – Fall Town Meeting:</u>

The committee reviewed the following information: (1) 2016 Fall Town Meeting Warrant; and (2) List of Prepared Motions.

At this time, the committee undertook final preparations for Fall Town Meeting, including final discussions for articles on which it still needed to vote a recommendation.

Chairman Rossi reported that he had just come from the Board of Selectmen meeting. There will be no positive motion for Article 3 (Fund EMS) as the intent is to dismiss it due to insufficient information.

Article 5 – Fund Structure Demolition: The Selectmen had voted 3-0-1 on it, one member abstained, and one member was absent. The breakdown of costs was itemized as follows: \$17,300 for the demolition; \$10,000 for asbestos removal (noted that this is a high estimate and should be closer to \$5,000 if no problems discovered); and \$6,000 for paving the area post-demolition for a total of \$33,000. Mr. O'Neill asked why the structure needed to be demolished. The Board of Health had condemned it and deemed it a hazard. Mr. Sullivan moved that the Finance Committee recommend Article 5 as presented; Mr. Alessandri seconded. No discussion. VOTE: 8-0-0.

<u>Article 6 – Supplement FY17 Memorial Committee Budget:</u> It was noted that the delay in the Selectmen supporting it was to ascertain that the funds were actually to be earmarked to hire a band to play in the Memorial Day Parade. The Selectmen voted 4-0-0 in favor of the article, one member absent. **Mr. Ashok moved that the Finance Committee recommend Article 6 as presented; Ms. Hoffman seconded. No discussion. VOTE: 8-0-0.** 

Article 8 – CPA Funds: Walking Trail: It was noted that there is \$1.8 million available in Community Preservation Open Space funds, though not all can be designated for a single project. The boardwalk is estimated to cost \$68,800 and the ramp quoted at \$2,500. Mr. Alessandri asked why Trex, a more durable building material, was not considered for use in this project. The answer was that it would significantly increase the cost; however, it was noted that the appropriation does have some room for modification of materials or scope of work. Mr. Sullivan moved that the Finance Committee recommend Article 8 as presented; Ms. Hoffman seconded. No discussion. VOTE: 8-0-0.

At this time, Chairman Rossi reviewed the motions list and assigning them to members as follows:

Articles 1 & 2 - Chairman Rossi

Articles 4 & 5 – Mr. Ashok (with the understanding that Article 3 will be dismissed)

Articles 6 & 7 – Mr. Alessandri

Articles 8 & 9 – Ms. Hillery

Articles 10 & 11 - Mr. O'Neill

Articles 12 & 13 - Mr. Doherty

Articles 14 & 15 - Mr. Sullivan

Article 16 – Ms. Hoffman

At 6:55 PM Ms. Hoffman moved to adjourn in order to attend Fall Town Meeting; Mr. Alessandri seconded. No discussion. VOTE: 8-0-0.

Respectfully submitted, Jeanette Galliardt Night Board Secretary