

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Minutes of the Meeting of Wednesday, March 8, 2017
North Brookfield Police Department @ 6:30 p.m.

Present: Sheila Orsi, Bob Locatelli, Chet Lubelczyk, Kristen Walther
Absent: Rob Winner & Pete Dupell
Guest: Dale Kiley

The Meeting was called to order at 6:37 p.m. by Sheila Orsi. Sheila chaired the meeting.

1. The minutes of from March 1, 2017 were not available for approval.

2. Bob had been researching where the new funds were being appropriated from the solar projects in town. He stated that they are designated to the personal property line item and the total is approximately \$69,700. Dale stated that the newest solar project contracts are in a discrepancy regarding the language in the agreements.

3. The Finance Committee briefly discussed the process of working with department "actuals" as projected funding and how we may plan to address this with the department heads this year.

4. Dale informed the FC that he had spoken with Dan Berthiaume regarding the funding for the Town counselor. His research indicated that towns twice the size of North Brookfield spend only a third of the budget North Brookfield pays for Town Council. He also stated the TC job should be going to bid annually and it has not been in many years.

5. Dale stated that he spoke with Mr. Alphin regarding the Board of Health budget. The BOS is having a meeting with the BOH on Wed. the 15th regarding 4 major issues. The BOS is planning a meeting with the Water Department as well on Monday the 13th regarding adding a line item to their budget.

6. The prospect of a town manager was discussed and tabled.

7. Our next meeting will be March 15, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. at the Police Station. Chet moved that we adjourn the meeting at 8:00 p.m. and Kristen seconded. The vote was unanimous to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,

Sheila J Orsi

3-15-2017
in attendance
Sheila, Kristen, Chet + Dale
Bob