

TOWN OF NORTH BROOKFIELD

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Minutes of the Meeting of Wednesday, January 25, 2016
North Brookfield Police Department @ 6:30 p.m.

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Present: Sheila Orsi, Bob Locatelli, Chet Lubelczyk, Pete Dupell
Absent: Rob Miner
Guests: Mary Walter, Dale Kiley, Eric Hevy and Kristen Walther

Note: Posted meeting of January 11, 2017 could not meet quorum. No minutes or meeting took place that evening.

The Meeting was called to order at 6:39 p.m. by Sheila Orsi. Sheila chaired the meeting.

1. F.C. discussed the minutes from meeting of December 21, 2016. Chet moved to approve, Pete seconded. We voted unanimously to approve.
2. BOS representatives approved the warrant article to allow the Finance Committee to reduce the membership from 7 members with 2 alternatives to 5 members with 2 alternatives. We are awaiting the vote at the town meeting on 2-17-2017.
3. Discussed whether budget or actual budget balances would be more favorable to review. All members agreed that current actual balances for all accounts would be more beneficial for review.
4. The Planning board had duplicated line items across 3 budget pages. After discussion with BOS members the "Budget Planning - Y" page could be removed from the FY18 submitted budgets due to duplication.
5. Governor's Budget should be available for review after January 27, 2016.
6. BOS stated that Sick Time Buy out as well as Highway buyout and fire truck are "off the list" for budget review as the buy outs are paid off as well as the fire truck.
7. Quick glance at the police budget which is requesting approx.. \$90,000 over last years budget includes contractual raises. It was also stated by BOS representatives that the requested police cruiser of approx. \$40,000 can be removed as it is not approved by BOS. This reduces the request to approx. \$50,000.
8. The Board of Health is the only budget request that has not been submitted. This is against the Budget Guidelines set for FY18 departments. In accordance, Finance Committee and BOS will use the FY17 budget for the FY18 BOH budget request.
9. Our next meeting will be February 1, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. at the Police Station. Sheila moved that we adjourn the meeting at 7:50 p.m. and Chet seconded. The vote was unanimous to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,

Sheila J Orsi

2-1-17
in attendance
Bob, Chet, Pete +
Sheila