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North Brookfield Finance Committee
Minutes of Meeting
Wednesday, July 12, 2023
North Brookfield Senior Center
Present: Mike Zalansky; Chet Lubelczyk; Kathy Crevier; Joe Trentacosta; Bob Locatelli
Absent: Karen Hubacz, Alternate
Also Present: Shiela Leblanc, Town Accountant; Tara Hayes, Town Clerk; Brooke Canada, BOS; Tim Canada, School Comm.; Vaughn Schlagel

Meeting called to order at 6:30 by Chairman, Mike Zalansky
Minutes of June 14th meeting accepted as presented.

Discussion on the Mower for Highway Dept. Some issues with the mower head.

Transfers:
Amount From To
$ 1.62 Police - Supplies Overtime
$ 51.25 Police - Uniforms Overtime
$ 11.00 Police - Due and Membership Overtime
$255.36 Police - Training Overtime
$130.99 Police - Office Expense Overtime
$490.00 Police - Animal Control Overtime
$739.76 Police - Salary Part-time Salaries
$948.50 Police - Shift Differential Part-time Salaries
$ 10.85 Police - Career Incentive Part-time Salaries
$500.00 Police - Training Part-time Salaries
$ 54.87 Police - Equipment Repairs Part-time Salaries
$ 13.62 Police - Purchase of Service Part-time Salaries
$114.55 Police - Office Expense Part-time Salaries
$735.04 Police Other Supplies and Expense Part-time Salaries
$1,490.82 Police - Training Expense Part-time Salaries
$597.32 Police - Gasoline Part-time Salaries
$ 39.43 COA - Supplies Janitor Salary
$ 41.19 COA - Supplies Director Salary
$2,645.62 Playground - Purchase of Service Supplies
$505.00 BOH - Recycle Monitor Salary Repair & Maintenance
$ 10.00 Water - Gen. Fuel Operator Salary
$750.00 COA - Senior Wheels Stipend Purchase of Service
$750.00 Beach - Purchase of Service BOS - Purchase of Service
$699.00 Accountant - Single Audit BOS - Town Counsel
$ .06 Accountant - Single Audit BOS - Group Insurance
$717.90 Fire - Forest Fire Supplies Ambulance

$466.79 Fire - Equipment Ambulance
$ 12.05 Fire - Uniform Telephone
$432.12 Fire - Other Telephone
$713.89 Fire - Air Tank Expense Purchase of Service
$182.86 Fire - General Repair & Maintenance Purchase of Service
$152.64 Fire - Office Supplies Electricity
$530.57 Fire - Oil Heat Gasoline
$535.34 Fire - Vehicle Repair Gasoline
$315.26 Fire - Supplies Gasoline

From Finance Reserve Account:

Amount	Department	Reason
$9,336.01	Police	Overtime
$2,520.89	Fire	Salaries
$1,318.29	Library	Roof Repairs (Slate)
$ 162.95	BOS	Rail Trail (late invoice)
$4,930.00	BOS	Gen'l Insurance (lawsuits)

Chet initiated discussion regarding 2025 budget, and presented his recommendations/suggestions:
School Regionalization - where are we? Shiela, who arrived late due to attending a long-awaited
Regionalization meeting, informed us that the Regionalization process is moving forward. They are editing
the Regionalization Agreement to include North Brookfield.

Shut down the high school by requesting another school take our 7 -12 graders.
Move town offices into the empty high school.

Solutions/Recommendations Increase Revenue_ _____
Turn off more street lights Get storage units advertised, rebuilt, and rent out
Review Highway's method of Snow Removal Solar installation on town property
Any dept. who spends over $200 for any purpose Sell any property which can be sold. Example
With exceptions, get BOS approval is land-locked Sand Pit on East End of Lake
School switch to natural gas Lashaway

Fire truck paid off
Don 't close transfer station
Override. Decide on how much . Go for less than what we need. Discussion. No resolution.

Discussion on Fire Station being staffed for every storm.

Brooke Canada informed FinCom about the Community One Stop for Growth grant, of which the Town received $225,000 for the Town House. FinCom very interested and would like to follow up on this.

More discussion on the recent Town Meeting, and that budget information distributed to voters did not show last year's budget. Voters unable to compare this year's budgets to last year. Very inadequate.

Adjourned at ?????