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North Brookfield Finance Committee
Minutes of Meeting
Wednesday, July 26, 2023
North Brookfield Senior Center
Present: Mike Zalansky; Chet Lubelczyk; Kathy Crevier; Bob Locatelli
Absent: Joe Trentacosta; Karen Hubacz, Alternate
Also Present: Shiela Leblanc, Town Accountant; Vaughn Schlagel

Meeting called to order at 6:30 by Chairman, Mike Zalansky
Minutes of July 12th meeting accepted as presented.

Discussion on 3 part-time police officers added to force
Chief not present
These three are eligible as part-time employees
Where is money coming from to pay salaries?
Out of full-time salary allotted for the new hire
One of these officers (Nick Newman) is attending the academy, and the Chief is hoping to make him
a full-time officer once he completes and receives certificate
This must first be approved by BOS
Position must be posted

Discussion on a Hiring freeze and a Spending freeze
Discussion on requesting that those places not required to pay taxes (school, churches, summer camps, etc.) make
Donation to General Fund.

Discussion Override:
Bob worked with the numbers and explained that an override of $500,000……
House value of $300,000
Yearly increase of $252.00
Lengthy discussion on the amount of the override. It was pointed out that when we receive Free Cash in the Fall, and if it is the same amount as last year (around $600,000), we need to immediately put aside approximately $38,000 for the lawsuit, $300,000 borrowed from Stabilization, and ????? Group Insurance (we used $300,000, but the amount to pay back is less)

Will request meeting with BOS on Tuesday, August 8th in their office to discuss
This year's spending
Override this year

Transfer:
$22.67 from Town Office Expense to Rail Trail

Meeting adjourned at 7:50.