

## North Brookfield Finance Committee

### Minutes of Meeting

September 14, 2023

North Brookfield Senior Center

Present : Mike Zalansky, Chair; Chet Lubelczyk; Bob Locatelli; Kathy Crevier; Vaughn Schlagel, Alternate.

Absent: Joe Trentacosta; Karen Hubacz, Alternate

Also Present: Tara Hayes, Town Clerk

Secretary's report accepted as presented.

### School: Discussion on Regionalization

We voted at last meeting to request meeting with BOS and Regionalization Committee.

Kathy stated that she had talked with Ron Ryel, Chair of the Regionalization Committee,

And he had not yet been notified of a joint meeting.

### Discussion Fire Department:

Roster of Fire Fighters needs to be reviewed

Turnout Gear

Lead time is now 4 to 6 months

Need to have further discussion with Fire Chief

### Discussion Police Department:

New Hire

Where is the money coming from to cover the benefits

Chief stated at recent meeting that he had the money to cover the benefits

Motion made by Bob Locatelli and seconded by Vaughn Schlagel

“ based on Chief Smith's statement that he had the money to cover the benefits,

we move the \$38,000 from Overtime Account to Treasurer's Benefits”

Discussion: How much of the \$50,000 in Overtime Account has he used since July?

Approximately \$10,000. If we take that money from Overtime Account, then he won't

have enough to make it through the year. Vote: 2 yes, 2 no, 1 abstain. Motion does not

pass

### Highway Department:

Jason Benoit stated that he needs about \$10,000 to repair the engine on one of the trucks.

Mike announced that he will be moving out-of- November 1st and is now stepping down as FinCom Chair.

Motion was made by Kathy, seconded by Vaughn, that we appoint the following:

Chair - Joe Trentacosta

Vice Chair - Chet Lubelczyk

And further:

Vaughn Schlagel be appointed full-time member

Mike Zalansky serve as Alternate until he moves

So voted - Unanimous

Meeting adjourned at 7:55

Kathleen E. Crevier, Secretary