## FINANCE COMMITTEE

## Minutes

August 31, 2020

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** 

Linda Bathel, Chairman Art Pinell, Vice-Chairman

Robert Horacek Sheila Chamberlin

Art Pinell Terry Mish Karen Demaio

Kerry Doherty - Absent

**ASSOCIATE MEMBER:** 

John Viel

**OTHER:** 

Laura Fletcher, Town Accountant

Remote Participation

Meeting Notices: Pursuant to the Governor Baker's March 12, 2020 Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law, G.L. c.30A, 18, and the Governor's March 15, 2020 Order imposing strict limitations on the number of people that may gather in one place, this meeting of the Finance Committee will be conducted via remote participation to the greatest extent possible. Specific information and the general guidelines for remote participation by members of the public and/or parties with a right and/or requirement to attend this meeting can be found on the office of the AG Web page at https://www.mass.gov/guides/resources-during-covid-19#-open-meeting-law-.

No in-person attendance of members of the public will be permitted. The Town will persevere to install conference call capabilities for other parties to listen in and participate accordingly. If not possible we will post on the town's website an audio recording as soon as possible after the meeting.

The meeting was being recorded.

The Finance Committee was called to order at 5:30 p.m.

Public Comments: There was none.

The next Finance Committee meeting will be held September 28, 2020 at 5:30 p.m.

**A MOTION** was made by A. Pinell, seconded by S. Chamberlin (Vote: Unanimous) to accept the minutes of June 29, 2020 as amended.

ROLL CALL VOTE: R. Horacek: Yes, L. Bathel: Yes, S. Chamberlin: Yes, K. Demaio: Yes Terry Mish: Yes, Art Pinell: Yes.

**A MOTION** was made by S. Chamberlin, seconded by T. Mish (Vote: Unanimous) to approve an Emergency Waiver for the 8/4/2020 Tropical Storm Isaias clean up per Town Code Ch. 8-2.

ROLL CALL VOTE: R. Horacek: Yes, L. Bathel: Yes, S. Chamberlin: Yes, and K. Demaio: Yes Terry Mish: Yes, Art Pinell: Yes.

Old Business: There was none.

**New Business:** The Finance Committee received a spread sheet on the Fire Station roof project. Good progress has been made. A. Pinell, Vice-Chair informed the FinCom that every Tuesday there is a work group held, he is willing to attend.

A. Pinell, Vice-Chair also explained that \$20,000.00 was used for Fire AC Repairs out of FY 20 End of Year Transfers. (Municipal Modernization Act).

A notification was received from State Leaders announcing Level Funding for Major Local Aid Accounts. This will help the Town's tax rate.

K. Demaio inquired about any large expenditure with the School District. School transportation was discussed. L. Bathel, Chair will get an update and send the members an email.

**A MOTION** was made by A. Pinell, seconded by S. Chamberlin (Vote: Unanimous) to adjourn at 5:54 p.m.

ROLL CALL VOTE: R. Horacek: Yes, L. Bathel: Yes, S. Chamberlin: Yes, K. Demaio: Yes Terry Mish: Yes, Art Pinell: Yes.

Respectfully submitted by,

Robin Solek

L. Bathel, Chairman