

Minutes Holden Finance Committee, March 18, 2015, HMLD

Members Present: Joe Dolak, Paul Challenger, Al Berg, Peter Lacy, Karl Makela, John Lambert, Dave White, Marilyn Foley

Member Absent: Bill Randell

Also Present: Jacquie Kelly, Town Manager, Dave Armstrong, Police Chief, Chris Carey, Police Lt., Jack Chandler, Fire Chief, Russ Hall, Deputy Fire Chief, Anthony Renzoni, Chair BOS, Jeremy Kurtz, BOS (@ 8:18)

The meeting was called to order at 7:02.

Jacquie distributed the WRSD Assessment letter. The assessment for Holden was \$903,380.00 higher than the Town Manager had budgeted for. The Committee will wait on the WRSD Budget until later in the budget season and see what develops with the other towns.

Jacquie and Dave spoke to the Police Department Budget and answered questions. A motion by Al 2nd by Dave to approve the Police Department Budget of \$1,839,491.00 as printed was voted unanimously.

Jacquie and Dave spoke to the Wachusett Regional Emergency Communications Center Budget and answered questions. The Committee had concerns about the distribution of costs in the use of the building. We will not vote on this budget now.

Jacquie and Dave spoke to the Animal Control Budget. A motion by Paul 2nd by Karl to approve the Animal Control Budget of \$63,851.00 as printed was voted unanimously.

Jacquie and Dave spoke to the Sealer Weights & Measures Budget. A motion by Dave 2nd by John to approve the Sealer Weights & Measures Budget of \$4,050.00 as printed was voted unanimously.

Peter recused himself at 7:40. Peter is a volunteer Firefighter/Paramedic for the HFD.

Jacquie, Dave and Jack spoke to the Public Safety Building Budget and answered questions. A motion by Paul 2nd by Dave to approve the Public Safety Building Budget of \$235,500.00 as printed was voted unanimously.

Jacquie and Jack spoke to the Fire Department Budget and answered questions. A motion by Joe 2nd by Dave to approve the Fire Department Budget of \$1,161,856.00 as printed was voted unanimously.

Jacquie and Jack spoke to the EMS Operations Budget and answered questions. A motion by Al 2nd by Paul to approve the EMS Operations Budget of \$876,847.00 as printed was voted 5-2 (opposed Dave, Karl).

Jacquie and Jack spoke to the Emergency Management Budget and answered questions. A motion by Paul 2nd by Dave to approve the Emergency Management Budget of \$75,219.00 as printed was voted unanimously.

Jacquie and Jack spoke to the Fire Capital Budget and answered questions.

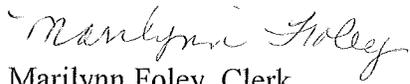
Peter returned at 8:38.

The Committee will meet with the BOS on April 6, 2015 at 5:30 in executive session.

A motion by Paul 2nd by Joe to accept the minutes of March 11, 2015 was voted unanimously (abstained Peter, John, Dave).

The meeting adjourned at 8:43.

Respectfully Submitted,


Marilynn Foley, Clerk