

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** Lois Stearns, Dan Campbell, Tony Matteo, Chad Glover, Bonnie L'Etoile and Bernhard Porada

**ALSO PRESENT:** Deb Mero, Town Accountant and Bethany Walker, FINCOM Secretary

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Stearns. This meeting was not video recorded.

• **WARRANT FOR ANNUAL TOWN MEETING**

- Each member of the FINCOM received a copy of the current Warrant; official version has not been finalized.
  - Mero brought attention to (Article 8 page 13) the EMS expenses line item should read \$80,377 (note that the total is actually correct, just appears to be typo in figure in line item)
- Stearns reiterated that the omnibus has been voted on in stages. Articles had general consensus but looking to get an actual vote by the FINCOM.
- *A motion was made by Glover, seconded by Porada and **VOTED** unanimously that the FINCOM accepts all money articles in the warrant as previously discussed and previously approved.*
- *A motion was made by Campbell, seconded by Matteo and **VOTED** unanimously to agree to the sources of funds for the articles as shown on the warrant as appendix 4.*

• **MAIL**

- Jack Spanbauer, Northfield Selectboard Chair, sent a memorandum to the FINCOM outlining his discussion with the Town Moderator, Nathan L'Etoile and the placement of the PVRSD assessment; in omnibus or as a separate article. In view of some of the potential "problems" the Selectboard voted to keep the PVRSD assessment in the omnibus.
  - The FINCOM had a discussion on the memo from Spanbauer and the possible problems
  - *A motion was made by Glover, seconded by Campbell and **VOTED** to support that in the event of any changes in the amounts recommended that the excess come out of stabilization. In Favor: Stearns, Campbell, Glover, Porada and Matteo. Opposed: L'Etoile*
- Copy of March balances from Mero; no areas for concern

• **MINUTES**

- Minutes from the March 27, 2017 meeting were reviewed. L'Etoile requested that the first two bullets in the first paragraph be flipped/switched. Stearns to hand write in the changes on the minutes. *A motion was made by L'Etoile, seconded by Campbell and **VOTED** unanimously to accept the March 27, 2017 meeting minutes as changed.*

• **TRANSFER REQUESTS**

- None

• **MEETINGS ATTENDED AS REPRESENTATIVES OF THE FINCOM**

- State of the Town program with a Spaghetti Dinner was well attended and received positive feedback. This was sponsored by the Northfield Elementary PTO and it is with hopes that this event becomes annual. Stearns attended as a representative of the FINCOM, Campbell as the Town Clerk and Matteo as a member of the CPC. There were guests from Thomas Aquinas College who briefed the audience with their plans for the campus.
- Matteo will attend a H.E.A.R.T meeting on April 12<sup>th</sup>.
- Porada attended a Public Safety Building Committee meeting. Discussion at this meeting involved the deed, space needs, location, a feasibility study, and size of the facility. Once the deed is recorded, Porada stated they will plan another meeting, approximately in a month's time.

- **ADDITIONAL DISCUSSION**

- L'Etoile requested a copy of the Capital plan be inserted into the Warrant; however, Stearns felt it was too late to have such an item be put into the Warrant. Stearns stated she would check with former Town Administrator, Brian Noble, as it was his record.
- There was an article in the newspaper about the PVRs Superintendents office moving from its current Main Street location back over to the high school. Options are being reviewed.

- **NEXT MEETING (S)**

- 5/1/17 before Annual Town Meeting

*A motion was made by Glover, seconded by Campbell and VOTED unanimously to adjourn the FINCOM Meeting.*

Meeting adjourned at 7:56 pm

Submitted by:

Bethany Walker

FINCOM Secretary

Approved On: 6-12-17

Approved By: Lois M. Stearns