

PARTICIPATING FINCOM MEMBERS: Lois Stearns, Dan Campbell, Jack Spanbauer, Bernhard Porada and Tony Matteo

FINCOM MEMBERS ABSENT: Sue Kaczinski

ALSO PARTICIPATING IN VIDEO CONFERENCE: Andrea Llamas, Town Administrator; Beth Walker, FINCOM Secretary (6:16PM)

As per the Agenda:

"Pursuant to Governor Baker's March 12, 2020 Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law, MGL, C30A. s20, and the Governor's March 15, 2020 Order imposing strict limitation on the number of people that may gather in one place, this meeting of the Town of Northfield Finance Committee will be conducted via remote participation. These minutes will be posted on the Town of Northfield Website as soon as possible after the meeting"

The FINCOM meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by Stearns

• **REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- The minutes from the August 25, 2020 meeting were reviewed
 - ***A motion was made by Matteo, seconded by Spanbauer and VOTED unanimously to accept the August 25th, 2020 minutes as presented. ROLL CALL IN FAVOR VOTES: Stearns, Campbell, Porada, Matteo and Spanbauer***

• **REVIEW OF JUNE 30, 2020 ACCOUNT BALANCES AS RECEIVED ON 8/25/2020**

- There were no questions or comments.

• **REVIEW AND DISCUSSION OF CURRENT FISCAL YEAR BUDGETS OF LARGEST DEPARTMENS**

- Police
 - Discussion on Police Budget: There are no concerns at this time.
- Fire
 - Discussion on Fire Budget: There are no concerns at this time.
- Highway
 - Discussion on Maintenance position; the role of this position, the responsibilities of this position and lastly, who ultimately should supervise this position.
- EMS
 - Llamas had reviewed sample contracts from other towns with similar ambulance services between towns.
 - On August 26, the Bernardston Selectboard has received a revised agreement between Bernardston and Northfield. Bernardston wants to determine where the \$10,000 that they are contributing to Northfield can be saved and how it can be spent by Northfield; Northfield will need to agree on this addendum.
 - Llamas stated that she will be meeting with Mark Fortier to discuss what it is actually costing Northfield to service Bernardston.
 - Discussion on the new position that the EMS is after
 - FINCOM would like to see EMS have a better reporting system back to the Selectboard.
- Porada noted from the Public Safety Facility that there is land currently owned by the Snows/Northfield Golf Course that is currently being reviewed as a potential site
- Article Update from Llamas
 - Security/door lock system at town hall is to start 9/9/2020.
 - Library door opener in process
 - Police Cruiser on order
 - Fire Departments article for jaws of life part is on order

NORTHFIELD FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 8, 2020 6:00 PM
VIDEO CONFERENCE

- **NEXT MEETING**

- No date set at this time

A motion was made by Campbell, seconded by Spanbauer and VOTED unanimously to adjourn FINCOM meeting. ROLL CALL IN FAVOR VOTES: Stearns, Campbell, Porada, Matteo and Spanbauer

Meeting adjourned at 7:23 pm

Submitted by:
Bethany Walker
FINCOM Secretary

Approved On:

9/22/2020

Approved By:

