

**[NORTHFIELD SELECT BOARD & FINANCE COMMITTEE JOINT
MEETING MINUTES]**

July 11, 2022

Northfield Town Hall
69 Main St

Select Board Present: Barbara “Bee” Jacque, Chair; Heath Cummings, Vice Chair; Bernard Boudreau, Clerk; Mary Bowen

Select Board Absent: Alexander Meisner

Finance Committee Present: Lois Stearns, Chair; Dan Campbell, Vice Chair; Bernard Porada; Sue Kaczinski; David McCarthy

Finance Committee Absent: Anthony Matteo

Also Present: Andrea Llamas, Town Administrator; Sandra L. Wood, Town Secretary; Beth Walker, Finance Committee Secretary

Others Present: Reina Dastous, PVRSD School Committee Chair; Jordan Burns, PVRSD Finance Director; Pam Eldridge

Meeting held by remote participation

- Finance Committee convened at 6:00 pm and discussed regular business items until the posted 6:15 pm meeting of the Select Board. Superintendent Kinsella was expected but not present. Stearns requested a few more minutes but yielded at 6:19 pm
- Jacque called the Select Board to order at 6:19 pm
- **Presentation/Introduction of the new Finance Director for Pioneer Valley Regional School District Jordan Burns**
 - Dastous introduces Burns to the Select Board and Finance Committee
 - Burns gave a summary of background experience working in school finance in an area east of Albany, NY containing 650 districts
 - Experience in state aid planning
 - Looking to create long term 3–5-year planning
 - Educated at Hamilton College and University of Massachusetts Amherst
 - Departments reporting to Burns includes facilities, food service, business office and contractual transportation
 - Burns goal is to investigate a facilities study for the district. The exiting Student Resource Officer has made recommendations. Safety is top of the list
 - Burns perspective is that budgeting is a year-round process for better communication
 - Dastous and Jacque have discussed more presence and long-range planning
- Motion by Boudreau to adjourn the Select Board, seconded by Cummings at 6:51 pm. Roll call vote: Cummings yes, Boudreau yes, Bowen yes and Jacque yes; unanimous
- The Finance Committee continued with their meeting

Recorded by Sandra L. Wood, Secretary

Select Board Clerk

7/26/22
Date Approved