

**TOWN OF ROWLEY
FINANCE COMMITTEE**

Minutes of Meeting March 9, 2021

Finance Committee Attendance: Present were Larry White – Chairman; Sharon Emery – Vice Chair, Pamela Bowen, Peter Censullo, Tom Corben, and Dennis Roy

Other Attendees:

Deborah Eagan, Town Administrator
Police Chief Scott Dumas

Susan Bailey, Town Accountant
David Petersen, Select Board
Robert Snow, Select Board

1. Call to Order – Chairman Larry White called the meeting of the Finance Committee to order at 6:39 pm with attendance by roll call. Chairman White read the following announcement.

“Consistent with the Governor’s orders suspending certain provisions of the Open Meeting Law and banning gatherings of more than 10 people, this meeting will be conducted by remote participation to the greatest extent possible. The public may not physically attend this meeting, but every effort will be made to allow the public to view and listen to the meeting in real time. Persons who wish to do so are invited to watch the meeting on Rowley Community Media TV / listen live on the RCM page on the Town’s website at www.townofrowley.net or join the meeting from your computer, tablet or smartphone [using the link and telephone access information provided on the meeting agenda]. In the event that live transmission proves infeasible, an audio or video recording, transcript or other comprehensive record of the meeting will be made available on the Town’s website as soon as possible.”

2. Review FY22 Budgets

Town Accountant: Susan Bailey, Town Accountant, reviewed the proposed FY22 budget. She noted an increase for General Ledger software.

Emery made a motion to accept the Town Accountant FY22 Budget. Bowen seconded the motion and it was approved by roll call vote:

Bowen – yes; Censullo – yes; Corben – yes; Emery – yes; Roy – yes; White – yes

Police Department: Police Chief Scott Dumas reviewed the FY22 Police Department budget and provided explanations as requested by Finance Committee members. He noted the additional expense of \$5694 for body-worn and in-car cameras that was approved by the Select Board. Costs related to COVID were funded by FEMA or REMA.

Corben made a motion to approve the Police Department FY22 Budget in the amount of \$1,805,118. Roy seconded the motion and it was approved by roll call vote:

Bowen – yes; Censullo – yes; Corben – yes; Emery – yes; Roy – yes; White - yes

Personnel Advisory Committee: *Emery made a motion to approve the Personnel Advisory Committee FY22 Budget. Bowen seconded the motion and it was approved by roll call vote:*

Bowen – yes; Censullo – yes; Corben – yes; Emery – yes; Roy – yes; White - yes

Zoning Board of Appeals: *Bowen made a motion to approve the Zoning Board of Appeals FY22 Budget. Censullo seconded the motion and it was approved by roll call vote:*

Bowen – yes; Censullo – yes; Corben – yes; Emery – yes; Roy – yes; White - yes

Rowley Emergency Management Agency: *Emery made a motion to approve the Rowley Emergency Management Agency FY22 Budget. Bowen seconded the motion and it was approved by roll call vote:*

Bowen – yes; Censullo – yes; Corben – yes; Emery – yes; Roy – yes; White – yes

Shellfish Constable: *Corben made a motion to approve the Shellfish Constable FY22 Budget. Bowen seconded the motion and it was approved by roll call vote:*

Bowen – yes; Censullo – yes; Corben – yes; Emery – yes; Roy – yes; White – yes

Hydrants: *Roy made a motion to approve the Hydrants FY22 Budget. Bowen seconded the motion and it was approved by roll call vote:*

Bowen – yes; Censullo – yes; Corben – yes; Emery – yes; Roy – yes; White - yes

Street Lighting: *Corben made a motion to approve the Street Lighting FY22 Budget. Emery seconded the motion and it was approved by roll call vote:*

Bowen – yes; Censullo – yes; Corben – yes; Emery – yes; Roy – yes; White - yes

Veterans: Select Board Member Robert Snow provided information on the costs and types of services provided to veterans in the 7 communities of the Eastern Veterans District.

Corben made a motion to approve the Veterans FY22 Budget. Bowen seconded the motion and it was approved by roll call vote:

Bowen – yes; Censullo – yes; Corben – yes; Emery – yes; Roy – yes; White - yes

Unemployment: *Emery made a motion to approve the Unemployment FY22 Budget. Bowen seconded the motion and it was approved by roll call vote:*

Bowen – yes; Censullo – yes; Corben – yes; Emery – yes; Roy – yes; White - yes

3. Next Meeting – The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 16, 2021 at 6:00 pm.
4. Minutes – No action.
5. Adjourn – At 8:00 pm, Corben made a motion to adjourn. Emery seconded the motion and it was approved by roll call vote:

Bowen – yes; Censullo – yes; Corben – yes; Emery – yes; Roy – yes; White - yes

Respectfully submitted,

Theresa Coffey
Finance Committee Secretary

Documents used at or for the meeting:

Agenda for March 9, 2021
Town Meeting Timeline and Finance Committee Schedule
FY22 Budgets:

Town Accountant
Personnel Advisory Committee
Zoning Board of Appeals
Police Department (revised 3.2.21)
Rowley Emergency Mgt. Agency
Shellfish Constable
Hydrants
Street Lighting
Veterans
Unemployment