



Town of Medway
FINANCE COMMITTEE
155 Village Street
Medway MA 02053

Monday, November 16, 2020 – 6:30PM
Medway High School, Room 113-1
88 Summer Street

Present in person: Todd Alessandri, Chair; Frank Rossi, Vice Chair; Ellen Hillery, Clerk; Brian Cowan; Jeff O'Neill; Jim Sullivan

Absent: Will Lane, Michael Schrader, Sue Segarra.

Staff Present: Susy Affleck-Childs, Planning and Economic Development Coordinator; Barbara Saint Andre, Community Development Coordinator.

Others Present: Andy Rodenheiser, Chair, Planning and Economic Development Board.

Call to Order

At 6:37 PM Chairman Alessandri called the regular meeting to order, noting that six members were present in the meeting room. There was no remote participation component for this meeting.

Chairman Alessandri announced that there are a couple changes to the Warrant. Article 9 has been deleted. Mr. Rodenhiser noted that it will be coming back at another time and will include some comments that came in late. Ms. Affleck-Childs added that trying to do amendments from the floor at Town Meeting is difficult. Brief discussion followed.

The other change is that the Town Moderator will attempt to do all the Planning articles as a single action. He will first review them, and if there are no questions on any particular one, it will be added to the queue. Any article that receives a "hold" (meaning there are questions), that particular article will be reviewed in depth. A single motion will be to approve all Planning articles once all discussion has concluded. Brief discussion followed.

Assignment of Fall Town Meeting Motions

The committee reviewed a document listing proposed Town Meeting motions.

After brief discussion, motions were divided among the committee members, each doing two or three, depending on the length of the motion.

Review/Approval of Meeting Minutes

The committee reviewed draft minutes from October 28, 2020.

Mr. Rossi made a motion to approve the minutes of October 28, 2020 as amended; Mr. Sullivan seconded. No discussion. ROLL CALL VOTE: 6-0-0 (Alessandri, aye; Cowan, aye; Hillery, aye; O'Neill, aye; Rossi, aye; Sullivan, aye).

Miscellaneous Discussion

Chairman Alessandri reported that the regularly scheduled meeting on December 9 is a joint meeting with the School Committee; the Board of Selectmen is also invited. Confirmation will come from Ms. Ellen Quinn in the Superintendent's Office with a likely start time of 6 PM in the Presentation Room. At this point, there are no agenda items for Finance Committee action to necessitate a separate meeting; Chairman Alessandri indicated if agenda items do come forward for the Finance Committee, the committee will meet once the joint meeting is concluded.

Brief discussion on Article 15 during which it was noted that the Citizen Petition did not request a Charter Change, a component which could delay any significant action. Ms. Saint Andre reported that all documents from the state are starting to use "Select Board" so that could be used as a guideline.

Adjourn

At 6:55 PM Mr. Rossi made a motion to adjourn; Mr. Cowan seconded. No discussion. ROLL CALL VOTE: 6-0-0 (Alessandri, aye; Cowan, aye; Hillery, aye; O'Neill, aye; Rossi, aye; Sullivan, aye).

*Respectfully submitted,
Jeanette Galliardt*