



Finance Committee Meeting

Monday, May 5, 2014 @ 6:30 PM

Request for transfer of \$900 from line item for longevity to equipment replacement.

Request for transfer of \$4500 from payroll to materials (books, etc.). Motion made and seconded.
Passed. Need signatures of BOS and FinCom.

Okay to replace windows as long as it is kept historical. Still getting pricing for replacement.

Assistant health agent - payroll needs \$4108.94 for filling in the head position for the remainder of the year. They currently have a balance of \$296. Part-time has been working more hours since the departure of Paul Bourgeois. There was a 3-week backlog. Did work with a \$1.00/hour raise. Motion made and seconded. Passed. Bob abstained.

Planning & Printing - asking for \$548, with \$600 still in budget, needs explaining. FEMA flood map is an unplanned expense and the existing monies will bring them to the end of the year. Map will cost \$548, with a balance of \$600 they have not depleted their budget. Request is denied and return when budget is depleted with a request.

Vets agent - ran out of money - \$9000, has warrant for this month for \$14,381.35 with a balance of \$12,537.09 which is not enough to pay for the warrant. Needs \$1844.26. Would like to raise the budget for next FY to \$14,300.00. Motion made, seconded, and passed.

Management IT - Paul invited Police and Fire Chiefs for figures on number of computers needed for daily operations. Figures from the town hall have been submitted and they are approximated at \$20,000. This is for ExP to match new operating systems that Carlton and Gary will be operating on. Carlton approximates \$28,500 for the police department and police cruisers and is working on getting grants. Gary approximates \$5,000 for the fire department. Carlton's is significant amount because he needs to communicate with state and federal data basis/offices. This will be put into the budget and if there is a grant that pays for the upgrade, the monies will flow back. The upgrades are needed to function. This is a one shot deal and will not be put into the next FY's budget. Line item will be to replace hardware and upgrade software - new line item will specify department and amount. This leaves \$8000 which has always been there. Hardware and labor is included. Bottom line will go from \$51,500 to \$61,500.

Brad left momentarily.

Schools - allocation is \$21.439,229, 2 communities break down is \$19.736,144 for Freetown. The net is \$7.709,580, \$9.808,770, add \$46,000. Where is it from, did enrollment figures change and have they been verified. That night Lakeville went with different debt. 34% not in play, \$9.054,088 plus \$277,295 over last year. We are looking for Scenario 1 for \$34.045,755. Lakeville is recommending Scenario 2 for

\$277 to be added. Scenario 1 comes up to \$9.3 - Paul talked to Fred about debt for each school and keeps getting different figures. Would like to have the new figures.

\$277 hasn't changed, \$277,395 over LY's \$9.054,088 brings it to \$9.3.

Paul not voting on school budget tonight, on anything unless total budget is seen \$9.331,483 - wants proper allocations and wants new figures - full requirement less revenues, needs - not matching figures he has, never on same page twice, keeps changing 41/38% - 58/59% - sheet from last time \$21.439,229, less transportation and capital to \$19.736,144, \$7.709,000 for Freetown \$9.808,770 add to \$172518.350 plus \$ 917,735 added for transportation.

41/38 Freetown, 58/69 Lakeville, sheet given with no numbers, plus \$277,000, over LY

\$5.037,081 capital debt 38% Freetown -\$ 7.082,570; today from Fred, difference of \$ 329,480, charging \$46,308 34.86% - does Fred know there is a discrepancy - Fred changed debt today and didn't make adjustment on what he gave us

Scenario 1 is what they are using, need to be using right numbers

Scenario 2 Lakeville is using, by 5-15 need to submit letters by school committee which is Wednesday

1 there is no layoffs, 2 is possibility for layoffs, school committee working on budget between super intendent and Lakeville, their concern is with override and there would be no layoffs. Freetown on scenario 1, maintain and no layoffs, new guy coming in let him know what is happening,

scenario 1 is \$917,000, for Lakeville \$ 1.3

scenario 2 is \$1,072,000, for Lakeville \$ 1.5

Doesn't go back, scenario 1 treats school department well, \$ 2.2 over requested spending for 2 towns

EMV is free cash and they can keep 5%

Vote on scenario 1 with stipulation for 46,308 - Fincom good with voting on 1

Vote on school - line by line

Budgets first:

Town moderator - 413

Selectmen - 77,657

Administrator - 139,114

FinComm - 1,000

Reserve - 125

Town Accountant - 107,536

Auditor - 20,000

Assessors - 87,938

Treasurer - 63,138 requested; budgeted 61,900

Total: 171,083

Legal Fees - 45

Management IT - 61,500 for upgrades - total: 85,000

Tax Title - 65

Town Clerk - 92,602; 49,195 requested 2% increase; 49,074 recommended 1.75% increase

Elections- 15,063

Registrar - 5,002

Conservation - 10,000; discussed change to 8,000, decided not to have more events coming up

Planning - 46,725

Zoning Board - 2,700

Soil - 1,053

Public Buildings - 68,910

Property Insurance - 102,250

Printing - 3,500

Total: 1,214,445

Police - 1,671,864 LY 1,612,574.60; contractual, education, Quinn bill

Communications - 258,553

Fire - 976,392 LY 944,188; should go down next year, this is re-certification year

Building - 91,955; does this speak to secretaries

DAFT - 8,850

Plumbing - 6,930

Weights & Measures - 4

Electrical - 13,680

EMA - 2,206

Animal Control - 35,632

Forestry - 16,750

School Committee - 44,024; stipend

Harbor Master -

Public Safety - 3.109,306

School - 9.285,174; differs from Lakeville by 46,000, add in for vote, can lower on the floor if necessary, vote on lower figure will cause Lakeville to go Scenario 1, vote on higher figure will be agreed to, we need an accurate number, Paul asked today for the meeting, Lisa was given different figures later in day, hold regional until can talk to them and get the correct figures

Bristol County, Old Colony - correct; 90, 18 students respectively

Highway Department - down by his own accord 60,212; 1800 with 3% increase, change to 1.75% for 61,266, makes bottom line 310,149.75 (salaries), 388,494.75

Snow & Ice - 100

Street Lighting - 11

Trash - 402,650

Transfer Station - 140,501

Cemetery - 11,350; picked up another cemetery, professional & technical mapping

Total: 1.053,995.75

Health - 78,417

COA - 128,955; internet expenses of 5,000 (printing newsletter); requested 126,153 salary item

Veterans' Affairs - 342842

Library - 110,871

White Library - 5235

Art, Cultural - all set

Debt - 585; 1 more year

Charges - 105,842

Assessments - 126,536 assessment

Total: 233,847

Retirement/Pensions - 247

Workers' Comp - 25,539

Police/Fire - 25,000

Unemployment - 30

Health Insurance - 1.248

Stipend - 14,004; 162 down by quite a bit of money, saved 100,000 changing retiree plan

Medicare - 50,000

Capital Equipment - down ; need updated list, paying for vehicles not on list anymore, street sweeper, dump truck, van for COA not using anymore, still have 2 vans, pursue this further, total budget 271,556

Capital Properties - 65395

Judgments - 200,000

Liabilities - 43,640

Gasoline - 138; initial request for 145, back to 138

Total: 381,640

Bottom line 20.597,102 plus 46,000; 20.643,410

Beginning of year put questions so we know answers. If you don't spend money on roads what happens to it. Can you purchase on Chapter 90. Are we voting on schools. Voting all. So we're voting on the 20 million. Still have articles. Leaving at 8:45.

Special town meeting: first article is Cape Cod Aggregate, no money, BOS votes to not recommend, FinCom has no recommendation: second article is fire assistance program match, BOS votes to recommend, FinCom votes to recommend: third article is to assign new numbers, BOS votes to recommend, FinCom has no recommendation: fourth article 300 back to free cash, BOS votes to recommend, FinCom recommends: fifth article for 2000 from sale of cemetery lots to make more lots, non money article, BOS votes to recommend, FinCom has no recommendation: sixth article to pay last

year's bill 35782, BOS votes to recommend, FinCom recommends: seventh article OPD fund 100,000, BOS votes to recommend, FinCom recommends

Town meeting: Article 1-listed in budgets: Article 2-FinCom & BOS recommend, take out "and contractual raises": Article 3-needs to be put in special, BOS recommends & FinCom no recommendation (eighth for special meeting): Article 3-BOS & FinCom recommends: Article 4-BOS & FinCom recommends: Article 5-BOS & FinCom recommends: Article 6-BOS & FinCom recommends: Article 7-BOS recommends, FinCom recommends: Article 8-non-money, BOS recommends, FinCom recommends: Article 9-BOS & FinCom recommends: Article 10-BOS & FinCom recommends: Article 11-BOS recommends, FinCom recommends: Article 12-BOS recommends, FinCom recommends: Article 13-BOS recommends, FinCom recommends: Article 14-BOS recommends, FinCom recommends, need vote to send to planning board, BOS recommends, FinCom no recommendation: Article 15-BOS no recommendation: Petition for light on Chipaway-BOS recommends, FinCom no recommendation: Petition for zoning-BOS recommends, FinCom no recommendation: Article 18- BOS recommends, FinCom no recommendation: Article 19 for flooding insurance-BOS has no recommendation, FinCom no recommendation: Article 20-BOS has no recommendation, FinCom no recommendation: Article 21-BOS recommends, FinCom recommends, need motion from floor to rewrite, BOS & FinCom recommend with amendments, Lisa suggests remove article and revisit for fall meeting, FinCom motions to withdraw vote, BOS also withdraws vote: Article 22-BOS recommends, FinCom recommends: Article 23-BOS recommends, FinCom has no recommendation: Article 24-BOS recommends, FinCom recommends: Article 25-BOS recommends, FinCom recommends: Article 26-BOS recommends, FinCom recommends: Article 27-BOS recommends, FinCom recommends: Article 28-BOS recommends, FinCom recommends

Need to vote on budget. Paul makes a motion to vote on final budget of \$20.643,410.62. Passed.
