

TOWN OF FREETOWN

Finance Committee

Minutes of meeting: Thursday, September 15, 2022

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*Cheryl Estelle*

Meeting called to order: 6:00 PM

Present: Katie Calheta, Margaret French, Emily Anne Dors, Kent Wilkins, Deborah Pettey (Town Administrator), and James McMeekin (guest)

Excused: Christine Dupras, Bob Anderson, and Gary Martin

2. Minutes from 7/14/22 presented. Motion to approve - Katie Calheta; seconded – Emily Anne Dors  
4 – 0 – 0: Motion passes

3. Motion to allow acting chair Margaret French to sign documents on behalf of the committee – Kent Wilkins; seconded – Katie Calheta  
4 – 0 – 0: Motion passes

4. Special Town Meeting Warrants:

Debt exclusion for Bristol Plymouth Regional Technical School  
Motion to add article to the warrant – Kent Wilkins; seconded – Emily Anne Dors  
4 – 0 – 0: Motion to add article passes

Becoming a member of Bristol Plymouth Regional Vocational Technical School  
Motion to recommend – Kent Wilkins; seconded – Katie Calheta  
4- 0 – 0: Motion to recommend passes

Funding for Union Contracts for Police Association  
Motion to take no action until amounts are provided – Emily Anne Dors; seconded – Kent Wilkins  
4 – 0 – 0: Motion to take no action passes

Increase Senior Work off Program  
Motion to recommend – Katie Calheta; seconded – Emily Anne Dors  
4 – 0 – 0: Motion to recommend passes

Purchase of Roadside mower for Highway Department  
Motion to recommend – Emily Anne Dors; seconded – Kent Wilkins  
4 – 0 – 0: Motion to recommend passes

MS4 Stormwater Management Permit  
Motion to recommend – Katie Calheta; seconded – Kent Wilkins  
4 – 0 – 0: Motion to recommend passes

Reclassify Council on Aging Building Funds  
Motion to take no action – Kent Wilkins; seconded – Katie Calheta

4 – 0 – 0: Motion to take no action passes

Increase funds in Accounting Department Personnel

Motion to recommend – Emily Anne Dors; seconded – Katie Calheta

4 – 0 – 0: Motion to recommend passes

Addition of Employment Positions to By-laws

Motion to take no action – Emily Anne Dors; seconded – Katie Calheta

4 – 0 – 0: Motion to take no action passes

Community Program Director

Motion to recommend – Emily Anne Dors; seconded – Kent Wilkins

4 – 0 – 0: Motion to recommend passes

Decrease the School Assessment

Motion to recommend – Emily Anne Dors; seconded – Kent Wilkins

4 – 0 – 0: Motion to recommend passes

Funding to Hire Senior Clerk for Town Hall

Motion to recommend – Emily Anne Dors; seconded – Kent Wilkins

4 – 0 – 0: Motion to recommend passes

Funding to Hire a Human Resources Director

Motion to recommend – Emily Anne Dors; seconded – Katie Calheta

4 – 0 – 0: Motion to recommend passes

Possible Purchase of 2 South Main Street

Motion to not recommend – Kent Wilkins; seconded – Emily Anne Dors

4 – 0 – 0: Motion to not recommend passes

Lease of Santander Bank for Town Hall Annex

Motion to take no action until amounts are provided – Katie Calheta; seconded – Emily Anne Dors

4 – 0 – 0: Motion to take no action passes

Purchase of Ballistic Shield

Motion to recommend – Kent Wilkins; seconded – Emily Anne Dors

4 – 0 – 0: Motion to recommend passes

Active Shooter Training for Police Officers & Firefighters

Motion to recommend – Kent Wilkins; seconded – Katie Calheta

4 – 0 – 0: Motion to recommend passes

Petition: Revising Article 11 of the Freetown Town By-laws

Motion to not recommend – Emily Anne Dors; seconded – Kent Wilkins

4 – 0 – 0: Motion to not recommend passes

Petition: Revising Article 11.3 (D)(b) of the Freetown Town By-laws

Motion to not recommend – Katie Calheta; seconded – Kent Wilkins  
3 – 0 – 1: Motion to not recommend passes

Unpaid bills from Fiscal Year 2020

Motion to recommend – Katie Calheta; seconded – Emily Anne Dors  
4 – 0 – 0: Motion to recommend passes

Supplement to the Capital Stabilization Fund

Motion to not fund – Emily Anne Dors; seconded – Kent Wilkins  
4 – 0 – 0: Motion to not fund passes

5.Motion to adjourn: Emily Anne Dors seconded: Katie Calheta 4-0-0

Meeting adjourned: 7:31pm

