



**TOWN OF BOXBOROUGH
NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING
Boxborough, MA 01719**

BOARD/COMMITTEE: Boxborough Finance Committee

DATE: Tuesday March 2, 2021

TIME: 7:30 PM

PLACE: Zoom

Per Governor Baker's Emergency Order suspending certain provisions of Open Meeting Law dated March 12, 2020, the Finance Committee Meeting will be held through a Zoom session only. Click on the link to join, or dial in by phone. Details are below.

In attendance: In attendance: Ling Chen, Diana Lipari, Becky Neville, Sachin Mathur (arrived ~7:45)

Not in attendance: none

Other in attendance: Cindy Markowitz, Maria Neyland, Brad Hubbard-Nelson, Jennifer Campbell, Chief Warren Ryder, Francine Nolde, Barbara Salzman, Suresh Jasrasaria, Rebecca Verner, others not captured due to loss of original minutes.

Approval of minutes for February 23, 2021 postponed to next meeting

Sustainability website overview by Brad Hubbard-Nelson; discussion on website and potentials for sharing.

Diana moved \$1250 for Sustainability budget and Ling Seconded, 5-0

This is an increase from the original request for \$500. There are no funds for physical publicity. The \$700 for the building of the website will be a separate line in the budget and is a one time item.

Becky-aye, Ling-aye, Sachin-aye, Diana -aye, Gary -aye

Jennifer Campbell asked for explanation of the FinCom's decline of the library budget request for an additional day of cleaning per week. The recommendation was to add an item to the warrant, but the warrant is closed. Would require Wes (chair) to reopen the warrant. The library trustees could also request additional funds at ATM during article 5 review.

Planning Board zoning articles

There are 4 articles by the Planning board plus a citizen petition

Updating of the zoning bylaw

This is a follow on article from last year's review of the zoning bylaw. There is cleanup involved. Gary asked if \$30,000 is the right number. That is just above the original quote to do the work, but additional quotes will be requested.

Solar



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Gary did question the height restriction of 12 feet versus residing on top of a driveway. This will be researched

Hazardous waste

This article is still being developed. There are a number of TBD's which led to the FinCom deferring to ATM.

Wireless bylaw

This bylaw article regards the aesthetics of the boxes. Per FCC law we cannot keep out 5G boxes from Town.

Budgets to be reviewed (v4) were briefly discussed. These items are still open. The ABRS budget review is scheduled for March 4 starting at 6:30 PM

ABRS

Recreation committee salary

RecCom other

Veterans salary

Veterans other

Any missed or to be reviewed

Warrant voting and recommendation assignments was performed and tracked in the Town warrant tracker. The recommendations are in process of being written and due week of March 8.

The FinCom adjourned to executive session at 11:30 PM

Becky-aye, Ling-aye, Sachin-aye, Diana -aye, Gary -aye

EXECUTIVE SESSION (~9:00PM) to be convened under MGL Ch 30A, sec. 21(a) purpose (3): To discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining or litigation if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining or litigating position of the public body and the chair so declares;

The Committee will not return to open session.

Next meetings (could be cancelled if not needed):

March 9 – recommendations due

March 15 – Joint Select Board/FinCom meeting (funding sources)



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March 23 – FinCom report due for warrant
March 30

exhibits to be used:

warrant

Select Board warrant tracker

Budget v4

Sustainability presentation