



**TOWN OF BOXBOROUGH  
Finance Committee Minutes  
Boxborough, MA 01719**

BOARD/COMMITTEE: Boxborough Finance Committee

DATE: Friday, August 26, 2022

TIME: 8:30 AM

PLACE: zoom only

In attendance: Maria Neyland, Priya Sundaram, Becky Neville, Keshava Srivastava, Tony Newton

Missing: Gary Kushner

The Chair called the meeting to order at 8:31AM

Roll call vote for attendance: Becky – aye, Priya – aye, Keshava – aye, Tony – aye, Maria - aye

Citizen's concerns – none

Maria introduced Tony and Tony gave us a brief introduction of himself.

Maria acknowledged two Open Meeting Law Complaints against the Finance Committee and Maria Neyland, filed by Steven Ballard and dated August 17, 2022.

She said Kopleman and Page had reviewed the complaints.

The first complaint was that the revised agenda had not been time stamped on the website. Going forward, Town Clerk, Becky Harris will take care of this.

The second complaint was made because during the Select Board meeting of August 15, 2022 a quorum of the FinCom was present at the meeting. Maria asked some clarifying questions. She was the only one who spoke. K & P's opinion is that she/the FinCom did not violate Open Meeting Law.

Becky Neville made a motion to delegate the response to the Town Administrator or his designee. Priya Sundrum seconded the motion.

Roll call vote : Becky – aye, Priya – aye, Keshava – aye, Tony – aye, Maria – aye

Maria has reached out to the Attorney General's office who said going forward the committee may ask for an extension of the 10 day response period, and because we are a volunteer group, they usually grant them, so additional meetings don't need to be called.



Reserve Fund Transfer – Maria said there is a possibility of a RFT for \$29K from the DPW for MS4 permitting. It should have been a warrant article at ATM, but somehow wasn't on the warrant. The TA is working with the DPW director to see if ARPA funds can be used. If this is an ongoing item, it should be in the budget.

Special Town Meeting – Maria shared the timeline. Planning Board will be invited to the 9/20/22 FinCom meeting to discuss their potential items.

We will discuss more on 9/20/22.

Keshava suggested we ask for a place holder for “Additional funds for the Reserve Fund.”

Maria asked if we could change our October 4, 2022 to September 27? The timeline for STM is tight. October 4<sup>th</sup> is also the beginning of Yom Kippur. We will begin at 6:30 PM. We will meet in hybrid if Kirby is available, but if he is not available it will be an in-person meeting.

Maria moved to go into Executive Session pursuant to G.L. c. 30A, § 21, Purpose 7 (to comply with, or act under the authority of, any general or special law or federal grant-in-aid requirements – the Open Meeting Law, G.L. c. 30A, § 22) – review and approve executive session meeting minutes from June 8, 2022 meeting and vote to determine whether continued non-disclosure is warranted or if they may be released to requestor.

Becky seconded the motion.

Roll call vote : Becky – aye, Priya – aye, Keshava – aye, Tony – aye, Maria – aye

Adjourned for Executive session at 8:45 AM

Exhibits used:

OML complaint