

October 2, 2017

Minutes of the Finance Committee held on Monday, October 2, 2017 beginning at 7:00 p.m. prior to the Special Town Meeting. The meeting was held in the Ludlow High School cafeteria.

Members present: Maureen Downing, Chairman, Eric Gregoire, Heidi Fogg, Raymond Yando, Richard Moskal, Joan Cavallo and Beverly Tokarz

Members excused: Susanne Boyea

Kim Collins, the Town Accountant was also present.

At this time Ms. Downing updated the committee on a few Articles.

Article 3, Unregulated cars and Article 8, \$100,000 for communications for the Police Department will be postponed.

Article 9, Planning Board Article regarding Special Land Use Regulations, Section 6.2 Home Occupations. The Planning Board voted 3-0 in favor of the Article

Moved by Mr. Yando, seconded by Mr. Moskal to concur with the Planning Board's vote and approve Article 9.

Vote: 7-0 in favor

Article 2: Retroactive pay increase for the Police Department. The amount of money that the committee voted on was \$70,810.28. It has increased to \$73,466.15. Ms. Downing would like a motion for reconsideration.

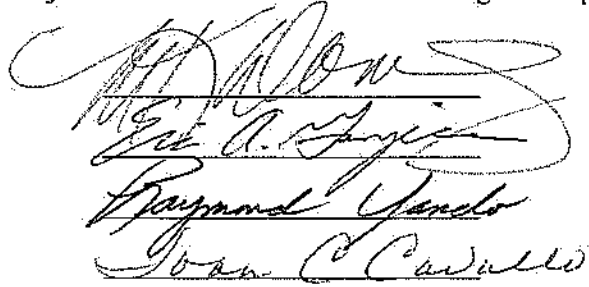
Moved by Mr. Gregoire, second by Ms. Cavallo for reconsideration to concur on Article 2 at the new amount of \$73,466.15

Vote: 7-0 in favor

Mr. Yando had a question on Article 10. He asked if Whitney Park is dedicated to active recreational purposes, can it be used for a daycare? He doesn't know if someone could get into trouble if the area is designated as "active recreational". Ms. Fogg said that the daycare doesn't bring the kids over to the bleacher area, their licensed for the rec hall, which is Whitney Park. Mr. Yando stated that the Article reads that the area would be designated as Whitney Park as an active recreation area. He is trying to avoid any problems with someone stating the above and then suggesting that there needs to be a new facility because the daycare cannot be conducted at that site. Ms. Downing said that the Article has been researched by the Town attorney and it's gone to the State to be approved. She would think that if there were any issues, the Town would be informed of them. Mr. Yando wants to be reassured that the daycare center will remain active. The camp goes on to the field, the before and after school program do not go on to the field, they go in the front of the park by the swings. Mr. Gregoire said that it's applied broadly as open space and he doesn't see where it would be prohibited from a daycare. Whitney Park is already a dedicated park for recreation purposes. Ms. Downing stated that if the designation wasn't there for ADA compliance, there would be problems with it. Mr. Yando stated that the daycare is run by the Recreation Department so that there would be some relationship to recreation.

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Moved by Ms. Fogg, seconded by Ms. Cavallo to adjourn the Finance Committee Meeting at 7:15 p.m.  
Vote: 7-0 in favor



Handwritten signatures of committee members, including names like "Mr. Brown", "Mr. A. Fogg", "Raymond Yando", and "Joan Cavallo".

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Ludlow Finance Committee