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Meeting of Finance Committee held on Wednesday, October 2, 2024, beginning at 6:05 p.m. in the Hearing Room, Town Hall.

Members present: Tony Sanches, Aneta Lombardi, Michael Kelley, Dolly Cincone, and Mike Kelliher

Members excused: Susanne Boyea and Matais Goncalves

Mr. Marc Strange was also present.

First Order of Business: The Pledge of Allegiance

At this time the Finance Committee approved a bill in the amount of \$304.00 for the AFTC Annual Dues from 7/1/2024 through 6/30/2025.

The committee discussed and voted on recommending warrants for the Special Town Meeting to be held on October 7<sup>th</sup>, 2024:

- Article 1 - to see if the Town will vote and appropriate and/or transfer \$14,925.39 for unpaid bills and/or over-expended accounts of previous fiscal year. Motion to recommend approval made by Ms. Cincone; seconded by Mr. Kelliher; vote: 5-0-0 in favor.
- Article 2 - to see if the Town will vote to amend Chapter IX of the Town Bylaws regarding regulating the licensing, control and keeping of animals. Motion to make no recommendation at this time made by Ms. Cincone; seconded by Mr. Kelliher; vote: 5-0-0 in favor.
- Article 3 - to see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into a contract for up to 10 years, commencing July 1, 2025, with a qualified vendor to provide trash and recycling pickup and hauling services. Motion to recommend approval made by Ms. Cincone; seconded by Mr. Kelliher; vote: 5-0-0 in favor.
- Article 4 - to see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into a contract for up to 10 years, commencing July 1, 2025, with a qualified vendor to provide trash and recycling disposal services. Motion to recommend approval made by Ms. Cincone; seconded by Mr. Kelley; vote: 5-0-0 in favor.

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Article 5 - to see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen, to enter into a 20-year solar Power Purchase Agreement and Lease on or before October 31, 2024 for a rooftop solar system installation, maintenance and operation on a portion of Harris Brook Elementary School. Motion to recommend approval made by Ms. Cincone; seconded by Mr. Kelliher; vote: 5-0-0 in favor.

- Article 6 - to see if the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate and/or transfer from available funds and/or borrow the sum of money up to \$5,000,000 for the purpose of planning, designing, improving, and renovating Whitney Park. Motion to recommend approval made by Ms. Cincone; seconded by Ms. Lombardi; vote: 4-1-0 in favor.
- Article 7 - to see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Bylaws regarding winery, micro-winery and nano-winery. Motion to make no recommendation at this time made by Ms. Cincone; seconded by Ms. Lombardi; vote: 5-0-0 in favor.
- Article 8 - to see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Bylaws regarding administrative review committee quorum. Motion to make no recommendation at this time made by Mr. Kelliher; seconded by Ms. Cincone; vote: 5-0-0 in favor.
- Article 9 - to see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Bylaws regarding battery energy storage systems. Motion to make no recommendation at this time made by Ms. Cincone; seconded by Mr. Kelliher; vote: 5-0-0 in favor.
- Article 10 - to see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Bylaws regarding Ludlow table of principal uses. Motion to make no recommendation at this time made by Ms. Cincone; seconded by Mr. Kelliher; vote: 5-0-0 in favor.
- Article 11 - to see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Bylaws regarding Ludlow table of principal uses. Motion to make no recommendation at this time made by Ms. Cincone; seconded by Mr. Kelliher; vote: 5-0-0 in favor.
- Article 12 - to see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to petition the General Court for a special act creating a Charter for the Town of

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Ludlow. Motion to recommend approval made by Ms. Cincone: seconded by Ms. Lombardi; vote: 4-1-0 in favor.

Moved by Mr. Kelliher, seconded by Ms. Cincone to adjourn the Finance Committee Meeting at 7:10 p.m. Vote: 5-0-0 in favor.

\_\_\_\_\_ *Aneta Lombardi*

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\_\_\_\_\_ *Valene Cincone*

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