

Town of Lunenburg

Finance Committee:

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Lunenburg Finance Committee February 27, 2020 Meeting

Location: Lunenburg Middle High School (Relocated from Town Hall due to elevator malfunction)
Present: Terri Burchfield, John Henshaw, Dave Passios, Michelle Walton, Jay Simeone, Dave Passios
Remote: Peter Beardmore
Absent:

1. Call to Order

- Terri Burchfield, Chair called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM. This meeting was recorded and is viewable on YouTube: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Q_JLgPoxMC8

2. Transfers

- Transfer from line item 534500, advertising (\$60); and from 53700, dues membership (\$20) to 573100, meetings and schools for Finance Committee. John Henshaw Moved, Jay Simeone 2nd. Roll call vote: Peter Beardmore – yes, Jay Simeone – yes, John Henshaw – yes, Michelle Walton – yes, Terri Burchfield – yes. Dave Passios arrived later and did not vote. Motion passed.

3. Public Comment

- Peter Beardmore commented that he was disappointed with support from the town technology department to help facilitate remote participation that he had requested.

4. Fire Department Budget Presentation

- Chief Sullivan presented his proposed budget and a review of Fire Department Operations as outlined in a powerpoint presentation that can be referenced here:

https://1drv.ms/p/s!Ah6AdYK_60697WqYY3WrpDKc77DL?e=acMeJ7

5. Police Department Budget Presentation

- Chief Marino presented his proposed budget and a review of Police Department operations as outlined in a powerpoint presentation that can be reference here:
https://1drv.ms/p/s!Ah6AdYK_60697W_moxapw47Cw4tS?e=kQylvv
With a narrative document here:
https://1drv.ms/b/s!Ah6AdYK_60697W6tinAJdWTeNpiR?e=aaXa5J
- Lieutenant Thomas Gammel outlined the departments in-service training program. Notable was new requirements pertaining to marijuana legalization and detection of operating under the influence, active shooter, and resourcing opioid users, .

6. Town Manager Report

- The town manager reported that a delay in a solar project will have a \$40,600 negative effect on new growth. The regional assessor will brief the finance committee at a future meeting. Current new growth is \$193,400
- The assessment for regional dispatch will reduce by approximately \$15K.
- The finance director is looking at the overlay account which may precipitate a reduction.

7. Public Comment

- Dave Passios reported that the contract with the architecture firm was in negotiation. The plan is to present an update at town meeting, a proposal will follow at a subsequent special or annual town meeting.

8. Adjournment

- Motion, John Henshaw, 2nd Dave Passios, unanimously approved.
(8:40PM)