

**TOWN OF STOCKBRIDGE, MA.  
JOINT SELECT BOARD-FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES  
TUESDAY, APRIL 25, 2017 AT 4PM**

- 1. THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 4:10 PM.**
- 2. SELECT BOARD ATTENDEES: CHUCK CARDILLO, DON CHABON AND STEVE SHATZ.**

**FINANCE COMMITTEE ATTENDEES: JAY BIKOFSKY, JIM BALFANZ, MARY BOYCE, NEIL HOLDEN, JIM MCMENAMY, DIANE REUSS AND FRANK RUSSELL.**

**ALSO ATTENDING: DANIELLE FILLIO**

**OTHER ATTENDEES: TERRY FLYNN**

- 3. THE JOINT SELECT BOARD-FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES OF THURSDAY, APRIL 13, 2017 WERE UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED WITH THE ADDITION OF A REFERENCE TO APPLY \$200,000 FREE CASH AND \$200,000 OVERLAY FUNDS MADE TO REDUCE THE TAX LEVY IN THE FINAL COPY.**
- 4. A DRAFT LETTER FROM THE FINANCE COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN, JAY B., TO THE STOCKBRIDGE BOWL ASSOCIATION ADDRESSING THEIR CONCERNS FOR FUTURE TOWN FINANCIAL SUPPORT WAS REVIEWED AND UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED. THE FINAL COPY WILL BE ON FILE IN THE TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S OFFICE.**
- 5. OTHER BUSINESS: STEVE SHATZ PRESENTED TO THE JOINT BOARD A MATTER, THAT WAS PREVIOUSLY RAISED AT THE MARCH 30, 2017 JOINT BOARD MEETING. IT DEALT WITH PROPOSED SALARY INCREASES FOR KAREN WILLIAMS, TREASURER, ELAINE MARKHAM, TOWN ACCOUNTANT AND LIZ DIGRIGOLI, DIRECTOR OF THE COUNCIL ON AGING.**

**THIS PROPOSAL RECOMMENDED SALARY INCREASES, IN LIEU OF THE COST OF LIVING ADJUSTMENT, OF \$4,000 FOR KAREN WILLIAMS, \$2,000 FOR ELAINE MARKHAM AND \$1,000 FOR LIZ DIGRIGOLI.**

**FOLLOWING DISCUSSION, THE FINANCE COMMITTEE VOTED TO SUPPORT THE RECOMMENDATION WITH FOUR, (4) IN FAVOR, HOLDEN ABSTAINING AND BALFANZ AND REUSS OPPOSED.**

**THE SELECT BOARD WAS UNANIMOUS IN SUPPORT OF THE PROPOSED SALARY INCREASES.**

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**THE FINANCE COMMITTEE ALSO SUGGESTED THAT, WITH THE NEWLY DESIGNATED TOWN ADMINISTRATOR, A WAGE AND SALARY PROGRAM INCLUDING PERSONNEL EVALUATIONS BE CONSIDERED FOR THE NON-CONTRACT TOWN EMPLOYEES BY THE SELECT BOARD.**

**6. REVIEW OF THE MAY 8, 2017 DISCUSSION POINTS FOR THE "BABY TOWN MEETING":**

- **ARTICLES 1, 2 AND 3- NO FINANCE COMMITTEE PARTICIPATION**
- **ARTICLE 4- JAY B. WILL BE PREPARED TO DISCUSS THE TOWN OPERATING BUDGET.**
- **ARTICLES 5, 6 AND 7- NO FINANCE COMMITTEE PARTICIPATION. HOWEVER, THE FINANCE COMMITTEE VOTED 6 OPPOSED, WITH RUSSELL ABSTAINING ON APPROVAL OF THE NEWLY PROPOSED BHRSD AGREEMENT DEALING WITH A REVISED FORMULA FOR THE BHRSD CAPITAL BUDGET.**
- **ARTICLES 8, 9 AND 10- JAY B. WILL BE PREPARED TO DISCUSS.**
- **ARTICLE 11- DANIELLE WILL BE PREPARED TO DISCUSS.**
- **ARTICLE 12- LEN TISDALE WILL BE PREPARED TO DISCUSS.**
- **ARTICLES 13 THROUGH 18- WATER AND SEWER COMMISSIONERS WILL BE PREPARED TO DISCUSS.**
- **ARTICLE 19- SALLY UNDERWOOD MILLER WILL BE PREPARED TO DISCUSS.**
- **ARTICLE 20- STEVE SHATZ WILL BE PREPARED TO DISCUSS.**
- **ARTICLE 21 AND 22-NO FINANCE COMMITTEE PARTICIPATION.**
- **ARTICLE 23 AND 24- NO FINANCE COMMITTEE PARTICIPATION.**
- **ARTICLE 25 THROUGH 28- NO FINANCE COMMITTEE PARTICIPATION.**
- **ARTICLE 29- JAY B. WILL BE PREPARED TO DISCUSS.**
- **ARTICLE 30- NO FINANCE COMMITTEE PARTICIPATION.**
- **ARTICLES 31 THROUGH 36- NO FINANCE COMMITTEE PARTICIPATION**
- **JIM MCMENAMY WILL ALSO BE PREPARED TO PRESENT AN OVERVIEW OF PROPOSITION 2 ½.**

**7. THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 5:15 PM.**