

Town Of Harwich
Finance Committee Meeting
Town Hall
Monday, March 14, 2022 @6:30 P.M.

Members Present: Jon Chorey, Mark Ameres, Dan Tworek, Angelo S. LaMantia, Mark Kelleher, Dale Kennedy and Karen Doucette.

I: Jon Chorey, as Chairman, called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm with a quorum present, confirmed by a roll call of members.

II. Public Comments/ Announcements

III: Presentation by Powers and Powers

IV: Joint meeting with Board of Selectmen, Capital Outlay Committee and Finance Committee

- Town Administrator introduced 2023 capital outlay budget
- Finance Committee to have a public hearing on capital outlay budget on 3/24/2022 at 6:30 P.M.
- Intent of 2019 Town meeting to have a 5-year capital plan; plan is projected out from 2024-2027.
- Document approved unanimously by capital outlay committee.
- Not included is a request by Water/Wastewater for 2023 budget
- Fire Department Chief LeBlance explained \$450,000 for new vehicle
- Dan Tworek asked what determined the need for replacement? The condition of existing equipment and reduction in fleet size.
- Chairman Chorey said the capital outlay budget is fully funded for FY 2023; the next four years will require a debt override. Town is looking at spending in the next five years approximately 500 million dollars for capital and operating expenses.
- Angelo LaMantia voiced concerns about the capital budget going from 3 million to 44 million in FY 2024 and the need for a $\frac{2}{3}$ vote to approve.
- Comment by Chairman McAskill that it would be helpful for voters to see offsetting grants to the capital program.
- Dan Pelletier introduced a new placeholder request for a \$300,000 request for shovel ready project to the capital outlay committee.

V: With no outer pending matters on agenda the Finance Committee Meeting was adjourned at 7:48 P.M. Members voted 7-0 to adjourn.

VI: The Finance Committee voted to reopen the meeting t at 7:42 to listen to the balance of t Selectmen's meeting. Members in attendance are Jon Chorey, Mark Kelleher, Karen Doucette, Angelo LaMantia.

VII: The Finance Committee adjourned at the end of the Selectmen's meeting at 9:22 with a

unanimous vote of 4-0. Chorey, Kelleher, Doucette and LaMantia voted in the affirmative to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,

Mark Kelleher
Acting Secretary