**TOWN OF HARWICH, MA 02645**

**Community Center**

**100 Oak Street**

**FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING**

**MINUTES**

***Community Center, Room #2***

*Thursday, March 16, 2017*

*6:30 P.M.*

**Present:** Chairman, Jack Brown; Larry Ballantine; Jon Chorey, Rich Larios, Noreen Donahue, Mark Ameres; Dana DeCosta; Laurie Gillespie-Lee (arrived 6:50pm); Ed McManus (arrived 6:55pm).

**Also Present:** Town Administrator, Chris Clark; CPC Chair, Robert MacCready; Brian Widegren, MRSC Chair; Terry Russell, Sharon Stout and other members of the Monomoy Regional School Committee.

1. **Call to Order:** Chairman Jack Brown called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM.
2. **No Minutes Presented**
3. **No Reserve Fund Transfers Requested.**
4. **Topics for Discussion and Possible Votes.**
5. **Announcements and Correspondence**
6. **Old Business**
7. **New Business - Discussion and votes on the following Warrant Articles:**

Bob MacCready provided background information on the following 7 CPA Articles:

**Article 25** – CPC – Reserve for Future Appropriations

Motion made by Dana DeCosta, seconded by Jon Chorey – No Recommendation Pending Further Information

Passed 6 – 0 – 1

**Article 26** – CPC – Fund Land Bank Debt Service - $ 610,000

Motion made by Mark Ameres, seconded by Dana DeCosta to Accept and Adopt.

Passed 7 – 0

**Article 27** – CPC – Restoration of the Chase Library Chimney - $ 5,100

Motion made by Mark Ameres, seconded by Larry Ballantine to Accept and Adopt.

Passed 6 - 1 - 0

**Article 28** – CPC – Whitehouse Field Irrigation - $ 28,500

Motion made by Dana DeCosta, seconded by Mark Ameres to Accept and Adopt.

Passed 7 - 0

**Article 29** – CPC – Brooks Park Expansion – Phase 4 - $ 167,900

Motion made by Mark Ameres, seconded by Jon Chorey to Accept and Adopt.

Passed 7-0

**Article 30** – CPC – Veterans’ Memorial Field Fitness Stations - $ 13,800

Motion made by Mark Ameres, seconded by Dana DeCosta to Accept and Adopt.

Passed 7 – 0 - 1

**Article 31** – CPC – Restoration of Rails at Evergreen Cemetery - $ 39,000

Motion made by Dana DeCosta, seconded by Mark Ameres to Accept and Adopt.

Passed 8-0

Other Articles considered were as follows:

**Article 32** – Reimburse Harwich Conservation Trust - $ 73,000

Motion made by Dana DeCosta, seconded by Larry Ballantine Accept and Adopt with funds from Free Cash.

Passed 8-0

**Article 5** – Monomoy Regional School District Budget - $ 24,787,671

Motion made by Ed McManus, seconded by Rich Larios to Accept and Adopt with

$ 24,563,567 funded from the Tax Levy and $ 224,114 funded by a Capital Exclusion

or Free Cash.

Passed 8-1

**Article 4** – Town Operating Budget

It was agreed to defer discussion and vote on this article at this time.

1. **Committee/Liaison Reports**

No Committee Reports at this meeting.

1. **Adjourn**

Motion made by Mark Ameres to adjourn at 7:50 PM. Seconded by Jon Chorey.

Vote: 9-0.

Respectfully submitted by Noreen Donahue