

Minutes of the Finance Committee Meeting, Tuesday, February 13, 2001 Judge Welsh Meeting Room, Town Hall, Provincetown, MA 02657

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The meeting was called to order by Chair Bill Dougal at 5:00PM.

Those present were Chairman Bill Dougal, Robert Vetrick, Sue Buerkel, Ruth Gilbert, Gordon Siegel, Irene Rabinowitz and Jennifer Bedard. Gail Enos, Alice Foley and Rick Holland were excused.

- I. The minutes from November 17, 2000 were approved 5-0-2.
- II. Bill Dougal handed out the following information
 - ◆ February 12, 2001 memo from the Town Manager on Affordable Housing
 - ◆ February 6th & 13th, 2001 memo from Town Manager regarding possible Group Health Insurance Rate increases.
 - ◆ February 9, 2001 memo from DPW Director regarding MacMillian Pier Update
 - ◆ January 23, 2001 memo from Town Manager regarding Update on Minimum School Spending Requirements
 - ◆ January 23, 2001 memo from Town Manager regarding Land Bank Funds for Affordable Housing
 - ◆ February 9, 2001 memo from Town Manager regarding Wastewater Update
 - ◆ Copy of proposed legislation which would authorize cities and towns to establish special purpose funds from Town Moderator for Finance Committee feedback
 - ◆ February 13, 2001 memo from Town Manager regarding tonight's meeting agenda: Fiscal Policy Plan II-Implementation Update
 - ◆ Invitation for Town Board appreciation party on February 15, 2001
- III. There was some discussion about proposed legislation from Town Moderator, which was mostly favorable, but it was decided that committee wanted more information including outside and opposing input before giving any opinion.
- IV. Prior to Town Managers presentation, Bill Dougal encouraged the committee to take a macro approach to budget discussions and issues so as not to exhaust themselves and lose sight of the larger issues. Ruth Gilbert suggested dealing with two large issues per meeting, which was agreed on by all. The following meeting schedule was established:
 - Feb. 20th General Government and Finance
 - Feb. 22nd Public Safety and Public Works (Wastewater)
 - Feb. 27th Schools
 - Mar. 1st Public Services and Cape End Manor
 - Mar. 6th Presentation and Public Hearing on CIP
 - Mar. 8th Review of Warrant articles
 - Mar. 12th Joint Public Hearing with Selectman

- Mar. 13th Review of Warrant

All meetings will be from 4PM-7PM (except Mar. 12th, which will start at 7PM) and department heads will be present and available to answer any questions.

- V. Town Manager gave presentation of the Fiscal Policy Plan^[1]
- VI. It was decided that Finance Committee members should get minutes prior to next meeting to save time. Minutes will be sent via e-mail by recording secretary.
- VII. Meeting was adjourned at 7:15PM

Respectfully submitted,

Phyllis Lutsky
Recording Secretary

^[1] See February 13, 2001 memo for more details