

Finance Committee April 18, 2019 Meeting Minutes

Present: FinCom: Chairman Rob Hannemann, Eric Glasgow, Vicki Divoll, Marshall Carroll, Bruce Golden and Don Leopold. Others: Selectman Chairman James Malkin, Rob Lionette and Diana DeBlase.

At 5:02 PM Chairman Hannemann called the meeting to order in the Selectmen's meeting room in the second story of the town hall.

Chairman Hannemann said we have a Special Town Meeting warrant called for 6:30 PM on April 22, 2019 just before the Annual Town Meeting.

At 5:07 Susan Murphy arrived.

April 22, 2019 Special Town Meeting Warrant with 1 article:

To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to 603 CMR 41.05 (5) Amendments to Approved Budgets, to approve the Martha's Vineyard Regional High School District School Committee's vote to use three hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$350,000) of Excess & Deficiency funds to secure the services of an owner's project manager and a landscape architect to design an athletic track and synthetic infield at the Martha's Vineyard Regional High School campus in Oak Bluffs.

FinCom members heard from Rob Lionette Chilmark's representative on the school committee and why he voted no every time this was brought to a vote. Ms. Murphy moved to not recommend. Mr. Golden seconded the motion. **SO VOTED: 7 Ayes**

James Malkin said the Chilmark Selectmen received a letter from the School Superintendents office asking Chilmark to send a representative to discuss the school funding formula. Discussion ensued. Chairman Hannemann recommended sending a response letter saying this is an important issue but not an appropriate approach. Chairman Malkin said he agrees but having reached out to town counsel who said in the agreement it states that the school committee is the committee who would discuss the formula and propose amendments to the funding formula. This committee is to comprise of 1 school committee member from each town and 1 appointee from each town. Chairman Malkin said the Superintendent should not be involved in any way about the funding formula for the MVRHS. Mr. Lionette said there needs to be 12 members on the committee it is not properly populated at this time.

At 5:30 PM Eric Glasgow left the meeting

Ms. Murphy and Chairman Hannemann both would be willing to serve. Chairman Malkin thanked them and the Selectmen will appoint someone in the near future. Chairman Malkin said if all the towns don't agree on a formula it reverts back to the State Formula for funding.

At 5:35 Robert Lionette left the meeting to go to the West Tisbury FinCom meeting.

Chairman Hannemann said there are some items that Tim Carroll wanted the FinCom to be aware of for FY19 for FinCom reserve fund possible requests.

Police Department still might need \$6,000 for vehicle repairs

ZBA underfunded for advertising line

The fire pump at MLR Housing may need replacing for an estimated amount of \$5,000

Marshall Carroll said in the Town Report the individual budgets are not included this year. The budgets are located online at Chilmarkma.gov.

At 5:44 PM With no further items for discussion Mr. Golden moved to adjourn. Ms. Divoll seconded the motion. **SO VOTED 6 Ayes 1 not present Mr. Glasgow**

Minutes respectfully submitted by Diana DeBlase.

Approved 01/30/2020

Document list- 2018 Town report