

# Town of Hubbardston

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## Finance Committee – Meeting Minutes August 21, 2019

Meeting called to order: 6:30 PM in the Slade Building

Members present: Dave Conaghan, Shannon Erb, Joshua Lerner, and Susan Rayne; joined by Chuck Reed at 6:40 PM

Other Attendees: Dan Galante, Pat Girouard, Richard Haddad, and Jeffrey Williams (Selectboard); Ryan McLane, Town Administrator

1) *Discussion of FY2020 budget presentation for August 2019 Special Town Meeting.*

- a) Mr. McLane presented a revised FY2020 Town budget that showed a deficit of approximately \$28,000. After discussion of various line items, Mr. McLane modified this budget to restore the Reserve Fund to \$35,000 and show a deficit of approximately \$14,500 to be eliminated by a reduction in the Town's FY2020 QRSD assessment. Upon motion duly made by Mr. Conaghan and seconded by Mr. Lerner, it was unanimously

VOTED: To recommend the modified budget as discussed to the Special Town Meeting.

- b) The Committee then discussed the form of FY2020 Town budget that would be required were the remaining towns to approve the July 2019 QRSD assessments, adding back all hours plus fully funding the Memorial Day line item, adding a Planning Board assistant, and increasing the Reserve Fund to \$29,000. Upon motion duly made by Ms. Erb and seconded by Mr. Lerner, it was unanimously

VOTED: To recommend this budget as discussed to the Special Town Meeting on the condition that a floor amendment seeking to adopt the full assessment is passed.

Ms. Rayne and Mr. Lerner agreed to prepare jointly a handout to be distributed to voters at the Special Town Meeting explaining the position of the Committee.

- 2) *Joint discussion with Board of Selectmen re same.* The Selectboard joined the meeting at 7:35 PM, at which point the Committee reviewed its recommendations with them.
- 3) *New Business.* None.
- 4) *Adjournment.* Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Committee unanimously voted to adjourn.

Adjourned at 7:50 P.M.

Minutes submitted by: Susan Rayne, Clerk *Pro Tem*

Minutes approved by: Susan Rayne, Chair

  
Susan Rayne

Date: 10/15/19