



TOWN OF BELCHERTOWN
Finance Committee
Lawrence Memorial Hall
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Edward Boscher, Chairman
Melissa Hurst, Vice Chairman
Laurie Shea, Clerk
Steven Rose
Lynne Raymer

Meeting Minutes

Date: Wednesday, March 15, 2017
Time: 7:00 PM
Location: Lawrence Memorial Hall
Present: Edward Boscher, Melissa Hurst, Laurie Shea, Lynne Raymer
Selectmen: Brenda Aldrich, Nicholas O'Connor, Ronald Aponte, William R. Barnett
Guests: Gary Brougham, Jill Panto, Kevin Hannon, John Whelihan, Sheila McCormick

- Meeting called to order at 7:04 PM

Transfers

Jill Panto, Town Accountant, made a request to transfer \$6,000 from the Reserve Fund to the Inspections Part Time Wage account to recoup the current deficit of (\$1,480), and to cover costs of future FY17 inspections costs, due to the number of inspections being greater than estimated during the FY17 budget process. Ms. Hurst motioned to approve the transfer, Ms. Shea seconded. Motion passed 3-0-2.

Old Business:

None noted.

New Business:

Kevin Hannon, IT Director, presented the proposed FY18 budget for the IT Department. He noted the maintenance and service contracts would be realizing a substantial increase in FY18. He further stated he would like increased funding of \$5,000 to the infrastructure line to keep up with the hardware demands of the town. A group discussion of the presentation followed. Mr. Hannon was asked to research if there may be potential savings available on a multi-year contract, and he agreed.

John Whelihan, Director of Assessments, presented the proposed FY18 budget for the Assessors department. He noted a funding priority would be a new vehicle to perform field work. A group discussion of the presentation followed.

Sheila McCormick, Library Director, presented the proposed FY18 budget for the Clapp Memorial Library. Ms. McCormick noted there are 8,337 library cards issued and 960 seniors use the library services. The Friends of the Clapp Memorial Library donated \$20,000 last year through their fundraising efforts and they have been awarded \$2,500 from Florence Savings Bank for summer programming. Ms. McCormick also noted they will participate in Valley Gives again this year. A group discussion of the presentation followed.

Other Business:

None note.

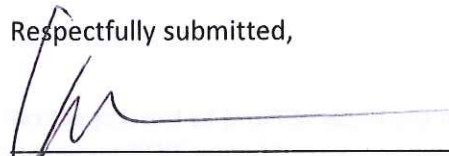
Next Meeting:

- Thursday, March 16 at 7:00 PM; Lawrence Memorial Hall Auditorium

Adjournment:

- Mr. Boscher called to adjourn
- Ms. Hurst Motioned, Ms. Shea seconded. Approved 4-0-1
- Meeting adjourned at 9:22 PM.

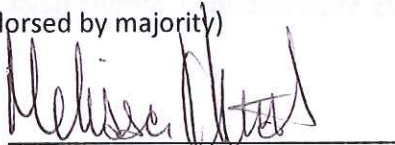
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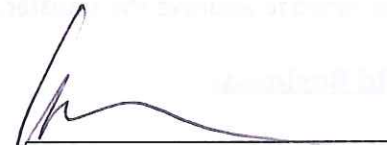


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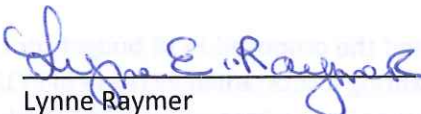


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