

TOWN OF ROCKLAND
FINANCE COMMITTEE
March 24, 2021

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Signing in for this virtual Finance Committee meeting of March 24, 2021 were Chairman John Pumphrey, Julie Shaffer, Bill Principe, Bill Stuart, Craig Maroney, Joe Gambon, Meghan Rooney, Lori Childs and Bob MacDonald. Jeff Leafer was absent. Linda Sternfelt was also in attendance. John Pumphrey read aloud a statement that the meeting was being recorded and could be reproduced.

Also signing into our virtual meeting was Town Accountant Biz Zaleski, and Town Administrator Doug Lapp, Chris Burnielka.

After a roll call of attending participants, John Pumphrey read aloud a statement that the meeting was being recorded and could be reproduced. John also stated the agenda for the meeting.

Biz and Doug addressed additional funding to the town. On March 17 the town was notified that there was in rate increase in insurance that was anticipated. We had budgeted 7% increase so those fund helped supplement the budget. An increase to the school for \$400,000. With the increase from town and adjustments made to the school budget the school department will be able to close the budget gap. We may have additional adjusts further in the year with the Chapter 70 adjusted funding and federal distribution. Biz directed the committee to the accounts that have to be reopened and adjusted.

HR Durector Salaries – Motion to reopen by Bob MacDonald, seconded by Meghan. The vote to reopen was unanimous.

Motion to adjust the account for \$90,000 for FY 22 for a total approved amount of \$723,000 was made by Bob M., seconded by Meghan. A vote of approval was unanimous.

Motion was made by Bob M. to reopen Utilities, General Government, seconded by Meghan. A vote of approval was unanimous.

Motion to approve the account with changes was made by Bob M., seconded by Meghan. A vote of approval was unanimous.

Motion to approve the Education Budget as presented by the school committee/ Biz and Doug was made by Bob MacDonald, seconded by Meghan Rooney. John P. and Craig M. abstained. All others on the committee voted to approve.

Bob McDonald motion to open the budget of the Highway Dept. seconded by Meghan. The vote to reopen was unanimous.

A motion to approve the Highway Dept. budget for \$1,038,280.72 was made by Bob MacDonald, seconded by Meghan. Vote of approval was made by all on the committee except Craig abstained.

A motion was made by Bob M. to approve the total budget of \$68,761,474.51, seconded by Meghan. Vote of a approval was unanimous.

Article I Special Town Meeting . Motion to approve by Bob M. , seconded by Meghan. A vote of approval was unanimous.

Article 2. Motion to approve as written by Bob M., seconded by Meghan. A vote of approval was unanimous.

Article 3. Motion to approve Water Treatment Upgrades \$175,000 by Bob M., seconded by Meghan. A vote of approval was unanimous.

Article 4. Motion to approve Technical Assistant Invoices for \$40,000 by Bob M., seconded by Meghan. A vote of approval was unanimous.

A motion to adjourn was made by Craig M. and seconded by Bill Stuart.
A vote of approval was unanimous.

Respectfully submitted, Julie Shaffer, Secretary