Finance Committee Meeting Minutes

Town of Heath

April 30, 2019

Meeting called to order 6:00PM.

In Attendance: Ned, Jen, Ken, Paul. Kathy was absent.

Guest: Sue Lively

At 6:10 the Finance Committee met with the BOS to listen to the public comment portion of their meeting and to review the Warrant and Article 3 for finalization. The BOS informed all those in attendance during the Public Comment portion that after further review Town Counsel who had changed Article 15 to a majority vote had changed it back to a two thirds vote.

After the Public Comment period there was a review of warrant articles and Article 3.

Article 3 line item for the Pre School was changed from \$15,000 to \$12,000. Article 7 was amended to provide funds for Health and Safety Compliance expenses by transferring \$5,000 from the Free Cash account. Article 27 was also amended to provide funds to pay for the stainless steel truck body transfer to the new frame which was not included in the original article. Monies amounting to \$59,000 are to be transferred from the Large Equipment Stabilization Account to pay for this.

All changes to Article 3 items and individual warrant articles were voted on and approved by the Finance Committee.

There was a review of the Debt Exclusion Letter prepared by Ned. A discussion ensued on some changes to the letter.

At 7:50 PM the Finance Committee returned to their own meeting.

There was a discussion about the proposed mailing to be made by the Finance Committee.

Jan reported to the committee that she had met with Steve Thane, Noy Holland, and Paul Dabrody to discuss solar installations for the Town. Due to changing incentives it seems that use of smaller solar arrays at multiple sites that are eligible for net metering might be the best option for the Town. It appears that the solar array which has been suggested for the Jacobs Road property would only generate \$7-14K in savings.

There was further discussion of what is to happen at the ATM, the need for a Safety Complex as the State is looking to investigate regionalization of fire and emergency services, the impact of home cannabis delivery and monies coming to the Town, and a review of costs presented by the citizen group comparing costs of the Town Center to the property on Jacobs Road.

Ken made a motion to adjourn. Jan seconded and the meeting was adjourned at 9:30 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Paul Dabrody