

Minutes of the Meeting of the Heath Finance Committee  
November 17, 2022

Present: Tom Lively (Chair), Alice Wozniak, Bob McGahan, and Ned Wolf

Absent: Will Emmet

Tom called the meeting to order at 6:20.

Minutes for October 20th

Members read Will's minutes for the October 20<sup>th</sup> meeting attended by Will, Alice, and Ned. There was a consensus to omit the phrase 'No vote taken'. Since only Alice, and Ned were present October 20th, there was not a quorum to approve the minutes. Bob moved that we table the minutes until the next meeting. Alice seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

\$100K in MLB account

Ned recalled the MLB's sending on September 21<sup>st</sup> a letter to the Select Board in support of transferring \$100K to the Town from an MLB account to go into Stabilization. He said that the Accountant has said that the \$100K is still in the MLB account. The Accountant needs to hear from the Select Board before moving the \$100K into another account.

Tom said that a Special Town Meeting vote would be needed before the \$100K could be moved into Stabilization. Members favored moving the \$100K into another account. Alice will reach out to Robyn and to the Accountant to ask if there's a way to create an account to receive the money without having a town vote.

**Action Taken** *Alice moved to accept funds from the MLB into an account requiring no town vote. Bob seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous vote.*

Meeting of Town Finance Committees November 28<sup>th</sup>

Deborah Andrews of the Shelburne Finance Committee has invited us to a meeting of FinCom members from surrounding towns at 7 pm in person at the Shelburne Firehouse or by Zoom. Bob, Alice, and Ned have said they can attend by Zoom.

Meeting of the MTRSD Budget Subcommittee November 30<sup>th</sup>

Members also received on November 17th an invitation to attend a meeting of the MTRSD Budget Subcommittee on November 30th, 6 -7, in person in the Superintendent's classroom in the high school, or by Zoom

#### Letter to Department Heads

Members read the draft that Alice sent on October 21st.

Tom made several edits.

**Action Taken**     *Alice moved to accept the letter with Tom's recommended changes. Ned seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous vote.*

#### Information Regarding the MTRSD Assessment

Bob McGahan said that he attended a meeting that included Brian DeVriese, 2 lawyers hired by Heath, and District Counsel Russell Dupere. No resolution has been reached at this time.

#### Information Regarding the MTRSD Budget Process

There will be a meeting of the MTRSD Budget Subcommittee on November 30<sup>th</sup>. In January there will be a joint meeting of the Budget Subcommittee and the School Committee to review a draft of the FY 24 Budget.

#### Information about the Salt Shed

Members discussed 2 possible sites that have been considered: the site of the current salt shed, and the site on town owned land on Bray Road. We are seeking more information. Tom will look into the possibility of a joint meeting with the Select Board on December 13<sup>th</sup>.

**Date of Next Finance Committee Meeting: December 15<sup>th</sup> at 6:30, cafeteria 18 Jacobs Rd.**

Alice moved that the meeting be adjourned at 8:24. Bob seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Respectfully submitted,  
Ned Wolf