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MASSACHUSETTS

Finance Committee  
126 Main Street  
Ware, MA 01082

## Finance Committee Meeting

Meeting Location: Selectmen's Conference Room  
Ware Town Hall – 126 Main Street

Meeting Dates: Tuesday, November 16, 2021

Meeting Time: 6:00 pm

### Meeting Agenda items to be discussed:

1. Discussion and Approval of ARPA Recommendations to BOS
2. Discussion of Water and Sewer Rate Recommendations for Public Hearing
3. Approval of prior meeting's minutes
4. Review of any emails or correspondence since last meeting

At the time of posting of this meeting notice and agenda the above items were the only items known. Should an additional item be brought forward, unless of an emergency nature, it will be placed on a future docket. The general public is invited to this and all meetings of the Ware Finance Committee. **THERE'S AN OPENING FOR ONE (1) NEW MEMBER; APPLY ON TOWN WEBSITE ([WWW.TOWNOFWARE.COM](http://WWW.TOWNOFWARE.COM)) OR WITH TOWN MANAGER.**

Submitted by

Lynn Nenni  
Chairman Finance Committee

Meeting Minutes: November 16, 2021

Members Present: Lynn Nenni, Devin Peterson, Ken Willette, Terry Smith

The meeting was called to order at 6:20 pm

Item 1) Discussion and Approval of ARPA Recommendations to BOS

The committee confirmed their recommendation and vote on the use of the ARPA funds from the November 4<sup>th</sup> meeting as no new information had been received.

Item 2) Discussion of Water and Sewer Rate Recommendations for Public Hearing

The committee reviewed the Water and Sewer Rate Evaluation report prepared by Tighe and Bond dated November 16, 2021. It was noted that the recommended rates for the water and sewer departments were lower than prior reports as a result of the delay in major rehabilitation to both plants to FY 2026 as well as the planned use of \$1.4 million in ARPA funds in the water department to pay for the influent screen upgrade. The committee agreed to recommend raising the rates in the current year to the amounts recommended in FY 2023 and then follow the schedule to FY 2025 with an evaluation of the rates and water and sewer reserves at the end of FY 2023. No formal vote was taken.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:00pm.

Respectfully Submitted

Lynn Nenni