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MASSACHUSETTS

Finance Committee  
126 Main Street  
Ware, MA 01082

Meeting Date: July 24, 2019  
Meeting Location: Selectmen's Conference Room

Fiscal Year 2020

Present: Denis R. Ouimette, Janice E. Hills and Lynn Nenni  
Absent: Devin M. Peterson  
Guest(s): Stuart Beckley, Town Manager and Tracy Meehan, Town Accountant  
Quorum met, meeting opened at 7:00 p.m. Reserve Fund: **\$55,000.00**

**New Business:**

M.G.L. Ch. 44, s. 33B transfers: By majority vote of FinComm and the BOS, a town may "transfer any amount previously appropriated to any other use authorized by law...within the last 2 months of any fiscal year, or during the first 15 days of the new fiscal year to apply to the previous fiscal year, any amount appropriated, other than for the use of a municipal light department or a school department, to any other appropriation." As part of the municipal finance streamlining of a few years ago, this law was implemented to make government more efficient; in this case to allow a transfer within lines of a municipal budget (no new money) in order to balance the year-end books without having to call a town meeting.

The previously scheduled meeting on July 15, 2019, was cancelled due to lack of quorum and the transfers were not voted on; tonight's meeting is a re-vote to approve the transfers and to petition the Attorney General, Maura Healy, to allow the transfers to proceed due to the unusual happenstance of two long term members (12 years each) not renewing their terms and another member still recovering from a motorcycle accident. Motion to approve the transfers and petition the AG made by Denis, second by Janice and passed by a 3-0 vote.

Reorganization: Denis was re-appointed Chairman by motion of Janice, second by Lynn and a 3-0 vote. Janice was re-appointed Vice-Chairman by motion of Denis, second by Lynn and a 3-0 vote.

New member: Lynn was introduced to Janice and the Town Accountant.

Contact list: latest updated list passed out.

**Old Business:**

Association of Town Finance Committees (AFTC): Annual dues of **\$180.00** bill to be submitted for payment by Denis to Town Accountant.

June 19, 2019, minutes were motioned for approval by Janice, seconded by Lynn and approved by a 3-0 vote.

**Next Meeting:** TBA

Meeting adjourned at 7:58 pm by motion of Denis, seconded by Janice and passed by a 3-0 vote.

July 24, 2019, minutes reviewed and approved:

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