



Ware

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Finance Committee
126 Main Street
Ware, MA 01082

Finance Committee Meeting Minutes

Meeting Location: Ware Town Hall
Meeting Date: Wednesday, April 5, 2023
Meeting Time: 5:00 pm

Members Present: Ken Willette, Terry Smith, Kelsey Sidur (via Zoom), Devin Peterson, SK Robinson
Additional Attendees: Stuart Beckley (Town Manager), Tracy Meehan (Town Accountant), Justine Caggiano via Zoom (Director of HR)

Meeting Agenda items to be discussed:

1. Meeting called to order at 5:05pm
2. Town Manager Presentation of his revised FY24 Budget Proposal
 - Stuart reviewed modifications sheet of changes that have been made since first budget proposal
 - \$150k Reserve added to cover salary increases over what is budgeted at the department level
 - If RFP moves forward for Water & Sewer, FY24 Budget Impact would be minimal. The larger impact would be in FY25.
 - Schools – Stuart recommends increasing School Budget up the \$90k to get to the level service budget.
 - Overall Budget Takeaways:
 - Budget meets the Dept Heads Requests within reason.
 - Providing Schools with level service budget.
 - Meeting Financial Policy criteria.
 - Still have remaining funds to be recommended by committee (Free Cash
 - Devin Peterson has motioned for the Finance Committee to recommend the Town Managers FY24 Budget, Kelsey Sidur seconds the motion.
 - 3 members vote in favor, 1 member abstains. The motion passes.
3. Continuance of Free Cash Allocation Discussion
 - Continue discussion at next meeting.
4. Review of any emails or correspondence since last meeting
 - Next meeting will be held April 19th at 5pm.
5. Devin Peterson motions to adjourn at 5:57pm, SK Robinson seconds. Passes unanimously.

Join Zoom Meeting

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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.

Submitted by

Ken Willette
Chairman Finance Committee

