

Town of Sandisfield
Finance Committee Meeting
Date: September 13, 2017
Location: Old Town Hall

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM

Members Present: David Hubbard, Kathy Jacobs, Joe Gelinas, Bogart Muller

Members Absent: None

1. Approved minutes for meeting held on August 2, 2017.
2. Discussed Article 1 (transfer \$13,000 from salaries to expenses for Town Administrator) proposed for 10/23/17 Special Town Meeting (STM). Voted 0 for and 4 against. FINCO will reconsider when Town Administrator salary budget is more in line with actual salary.
3. Discussed STM Article 2 (increases salary and expense budget for Town Accountant). Voted 4 for and 0 against but memo to Select Board and Town Administrator will include the following:
 - a. FINCOM request that a process for accurate bookkeeping be developed and followed.
 - b. Each town employee will develop a career development plan and a "Training" budget request for FY19 and each year after.
4. Discussed STM Article 3 (increases salaries for Town Treasurer and Tax Collector Clerk). Voted 4 for and 0 against. Also noted that the increased in budgeted hours raises the Treasurer position to 21 hours/week.
5. Discussed STM Article 4 (increases Web Site Administrator expenses to pay for Web site maintenance). Voted 4 for and 0 against.
6. Discussed STM Article 5 (add \$3,600 to reserve fund). Voted 4 for and 0 against.

7. Discussed STM Article 6 (raise \$420,000 for Rugg Bridge). Voted 3-1 to amend this article to include \$100,000 from Chapter 90, \$120,000 from Stabilization, and \$200,000 in short-term borrowing. The amended article passed 3-1.

Adjournment: 8:45 pm

Joe Gelinas K. Jones
Bob W. Miller
