FINANCE COMMITTEE Town of Becket 557 Main Street Becket, MA 01223

Meeting Minutes for April 5, 2023

PRESENT:

Finance Committee (FC): Ron DeFoe (RD); Ann Spadafora (AS); Chuck Garman (CG);

Town Administrator: Kathe Warden (KW)

Absent: Mark Karlberg (MK) In Person Guests: Jeff Piemont By phone: Dan Parnell (DP)

AS called meeting to order at 5:37 PM

AGENDA:

- 1. Meeting minutes
 - a. Approve minutes March 30, 2023 FC meeting
 - Motion by CG to accept minutes as written, seconded by AS; AS aye, CG aye, DP – aye, RD – aye
- 2. TA updates including suggested tax rate
 - a. DP has calculated a preliminary tax rate of \$11.22, an increase of 4.2%
- 3. Any Budget discussion prior to Joint Meeting with Select Board
 - a. Remove CPA Approved by FC as it is inappropriate, with the exception of Article 15
 - Motion by CG to accept minutes as written, seconded by AS; AS aye, CG aye, DP – aye, RD – aye
 - b. Minor correction in percentage change of budget items as formula needs to be updated
 - c. Budget has a substantial increase, but FC approves as currently stands
- 4. Any other business
 - a. None
- 5. Adjourn to join with Select Board at 6.00 pm
 - a. CG moved to adjourn meeting at 5:54 PM; Seconded by AS; AS aye, CG aye, DP aye, RD aye

Next meetings: FC Thursday May 4, 2023 at 3:00 P.M. (meeting was canceled)

Respectfully Submitted by Ron DeFoe

Approved by Ann Spadafora, Vice Chairperson