

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

Meeting Minutes for June 14, 2022

PRESENT:

Finance Committee (FC): Ron DeFoe (RD); Chuck Garman (CG); Ann Spadafora (AS) ; Mark Karlberg (MK)
Town Administrator: Absent
Absent: None
In Person Guests: None
By phone: None

DP called meeting to order at 3:07 PM

AGENDA:

1. Election of Officers for FY2021

- a. Motion by CG to nominate DP for Chairperson, AS for Vice Chairperson and RD for Clerk; Seconded by AS; Approved unanimously

2. Meeting minutes

- a. Approve minutes April 6, 2022 FC meeting
 - i. Motion by CG to accept minutes as written, seconded by AS; Approved unanimously
- b. Approve minutes April 6, 2022 Joint FC/SB meeting
 - i. Motion by CG to accept minutes as written, seconded by AS; Approved unanimously

3. TA Update

- a. None as not present

4. Broadband Update

- a. Things are progressing smoothly and the budget is looking very good
- b. Last large project is FSA-10, which is dependent on Eversource
- c. We are hoping to have all FSA's complete by end of 2022

5. Update on Town Administrator Search Committee (MK)

- a. Approximately 15 applications were received
- b. 3 candidates were interviewed; 2 have been referred to SB for their consideration

6. Future FC Meeting Dates/Times

- a. We all agreed that 3:00 PM is a better time than evenings (previous meeting time)
- b. We will stick with first Thursday of the month

7. Any other business

- a. Dream Away Glamping
 - i. This could be a financial asset to the town if the project goes through or a detriment should it become an abandoned property
 - ii. FC members are encouraged to consider pros and cons for a discussion at our next meeting
- b. Projects for FY2023
 - i. DP suggested we should contemplate the following tasks for the upcoming year
 - 1. Tax abatement for low income/low value residences
 - 2. Reconsider meal and lodging tax

8. Adjourn meeting

- a. AS moved to adjourn meeting at 3:56 PM; Seconded by CG; Approved unanimously

Next meeting: Thursday July 7, 2022 at 3:00 PM

Respectfully Submitted by Ron DeFoe
Approved by Dan Parnell, Chairperson

