

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

Meeting Minutes for December 3, 2020

PRESENT:

Finance Committee (FC): Dan Parnell (DP); Ron DeFoe (RD); Ann Spadafora (AS); Mark Karlberg (MK); Chuck Garman (CG)
Town Administrator: William Caldwell (WC)
By phone: None

DP called meeting to order at 5:33 PM

AGENDA:

1. Meeting minutes

- a. Approve minutes November 5, 2020 FC meeting
 - i. Motion to accept minutes as written by MK; Seconded by AS; Approved by AS, MK, DP and RD; CG abstained (was not present at November 5 meeting)

2. Discuss FY2022 Capital Purchase Plans

- a. Current requests
 - i. Parks and Rec – Maple St. Pavilion - \$20k
 - ii. Historical Commission Ballou Park Retaining Wall - \$100k
 - iii. Highway – Truck #5 - \$132k (Upgrade from 3500 to F550)
 - iv. Ambulance – Squad Vehicle Replacement - \$47k
 - v. Fire – Waiting
 - vi. Police – None
 - vii. Town Hall – HVAC/Renovation Account - \$15k
- b. We need to be aware of potential impact of Broadband and Wahconah High School project debt

3. Administrator's input

- a. Ongoing projects in good shape/complete
- b. Dynergy (power generation supply) informational meetings November 5 and 7
- c. Mange/Construct house needs septic work prior to going on market

4. Broadband Update

- a. We are stringing cable!
- b. Kick-off ceremony scheduled for November 10
- c. Residential hookups will begin in the spring

5. Other business

- a. Need to start thinking about Annual Report
 - i. Need tax rate and free cash figures

6. Adjourn meeting

- a. AS moved to adjourn meeting at 5:57 PM; Seconded by CG; Approved unanimously

Next meeting: Thursday January 7, 2021 at 5:30 PM

Respectfully Submitted by Ron DeFoe

Approved by Dan Parnell, Chair

