

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

Meeting Minutes for September 2, 2021

PRESENT:

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

DP called meeting to order at 5:37 PM

AGENDA:

1. Meeting minutes

- a. Approve minutes July 15, 2021 FC meeting
 - i. Motion to accept minutes as written by AS, seconded by CG; Approved unanimously
- b. Approve minutes August 5, 2021 FC meeting
 - i. Motion to accept minutes as written by CG, seconded by AS; DP- aye, AS – aye, CG – aye; RD and MK abstained as not present at August meeting

2. Administrator's input

- a. Working to see if we can get a FEMA disaster declaration for storm damage to dirt roads
- b. Leonhardt road repair is delayed due to lack of availability of materials (culvert)
- c. We still need to think about long term funding for improvement for both paved and dirt roads (in addition to Chapter 90 funds)

3. Broadband Update

- a. FSA02 has 88% sign-up rate and 77% activated
- b. FSA01 hookups are in progress
- c. We are hoping as other towns complete their systems the pace of work in Becket will improve; there are penalties for missing deadlines
- d. Broadband info session will be held on September 11 in conjunction with the Energy Committee

4. Other business

- a. None

5. Adjourn meeting

- a. CG moved to adjourn meeting at 6:00 PM; Seconded by AS; Approved unanimously

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

Respectfully Submitted by Ron DeFoe

Approved by Dan Parnell, Chair

