

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

Meeting Minutes for October 7, 2021

PRESENT:

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

DP called meeting to order at 5:35 PM

AGENDA:

1. Meeting minutes

- a. Approve minutes September 2, 2021 FC meeting
 - i. Motion made and seconded to accept minutes as written: Approved unanimously

2. Administrator's input

- a. Unable to get FEMA disaster declaration for storm damage to dirt roads because overall state has not reached its threshold
- b. No movement on delinquent tax situation
- c. Annual dues of \$135 were paid to MMAFC for the Finance Committee membership

3. Broadband Update

- a. The subcontractor hired by WCF for drops to homes has gone bankrupt. WCF has contracted with another company to carry out the installs
- b. The budget for the Broadband project continues to appear to be valid and under projections except police details but overall in good shape
- c. Approximately 60% of the town have signed up to have a broadband connection and 16% have now been activated
- d. Broadband info session will be held on November 6 in conjunction with the Energy Committee

4. Transfers

- a. None

5. Other business

- a. BAC is requesting a meeting to discuss FY 2022 funding
- b. The Finance Committee as a whole does not support ongoing Operational Funding for the BAC

6. Adjourn meeting

- a. Motion made and seconded to adjourn meeting at 6:00 PM; Approved unanimously

Next meeting: Thursday November 4, 2021 at 5:30 PM

Respectfully Submitted by Chuck Garman

Approved by Dan Parnell, Chair


