

**TOWN OF STOCKBRIDGE, MA.
50 MAIN STREET
FINANCE COMMITTEE VIRTUAL AND IN-PERSON MEETING MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2022 AT 6 PM**

- 1. CHAIR BIKOFSKY CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT 6 PM.**
- 2. COMMITTEE ATTENDEES: JAY BIKOFSKY, JIM BALFANZ, PAM BOUDREAU, ED LANE, JORJA MARSDEN, DIANE REUSS AND STEVE SHATZ. BILL VOGT WAS NOT IN ATTENDANCE**

TOWN ATTENDEES: PATRICK WHITE AND MICHAEL CAANALES

- 3. THE FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES OF AUGUST 24, 2022 WERE PRESENTED AND A MOTION FOR APPROVAL WAS MADE BY STEVE SHATZ AND SECONDED BY JIM BALFANZ. A VOTE WAS CALLED AND THE MINUTES WERE APPROVED 7-0 BY ALL PRESENT. BILL VOGT WAS NOT IN ATTENDANCE.**
- 4. A REQUEST BY BHRSD SUPERINTENDANT PETER DILLON WAS PRESENTED TO THE COMMITTEE ASKING THAT THE APPOINTMENT OF A STOCKBRIDGE FINANCE COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVE BE CONSIDERED TO SERVE ON THE BHRSD BUILDING COMMITTEE. CHAIR BIKOFSKY REVIEWED THE PURPOSE OF THE COMMITTEE NAMELY TO PLAN FOR A NEW HIGH SCHOOL. THE COMMITTEE WOULD SERVE IN AN ADVISORY CAPACITY WITH AN ULTIMATE RECOMMENDATION TO BE MADE BY THE SCHOOL BOARD FOR CONSIDERATION AT EACH OF THE PARTICIPATING TOWNS ANNUAL MEETING.**

IT WAS THE SUGESTED THAT STEVE SHATZ, AS A FORMER STOCKBRIDGE SELECTMAN, AND CURRENT MEMBER OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE BE CONSIDERED FOR THE POSITION. A MOTION TO APPROVE WAS MADE BY JIM BALFANZ AND SECONDED BY JORJA MARSDEN. A VOTE WAS CALLED AND STEVE SHATZ WAS UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED BY ALL COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT.

- 5. THE COMMITTEE WAS THEN PRESENTED AN UPDATE OF FY 2024 MAJOR PROJECTS TO BE CONSIDERED:**
 - THE AVERIC ROAD BRIDGE 2 ENGINEERING GRANT OF \$100,000.00 WAS SECURED FOR THE STUDY OF CONSTRUCTING A REPLACEMENT.**
 - THE MAIN STREET CROSS WALK PARTIAL GRANT OF \$137,000.00 HAS BEEN RECEIVED FOR FURTHERING THE STUDY OF ALTERNATIVES.**
 - A STUDY OF THE REPLACEMENT OF TUCKERMAN’S BRIDGE WAS TO COMMENCE IN JANUARY, 2023.**

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- **CONSIDERATION OF A WALKWAY FROM PINEWOODS TO TOWN.**
- **CONSIDERATION OF DREDGING STOCKBRIDGE BOWL.**
- **CONSIDERATION OF PHASE 3 REVIEW OF STORM WATER AND SEWER SYSTEMS.**

6. OTHER BUSINESS:

- **JIM BALFANZ STRESSED THE IMPORTANCE OF STATE SUPPORT FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE MAIN STREET INTERSECTION AND CROSS WALK ALTERNATIVES.**
- **STEVE SHATZ ASKED MICHAEL CANALES FOR A STATUS REPORT ON THE FY24 BHRSD BUDGET.**
- **DIANE REUSS EXPRESSED THE IMPORTANCE OF THE DEVELOPMENT OF A BUDGET WITH RESTRAINED MODEST INCREASES.**

7. THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 6:30 PM