

~Approved 3-1-22~
West Tisbury Finance Committee Meeting
Zoom meeting
February 8, 2022, 5:00 pm

In Attendance: Greg Orcutt, Doug Ruskin, John Christensen, Cathy Minkiewicz and Clark Rattet

Also present: Matt D’Andrea, Donna Lowell- Bettencourt, Suzanne Cioffi, Jen Rand, Alex Salop, Mark Friedman, Richie Smith, Susan Stevens, Sara Dingley, Curt Schroeder, Sam Hart, Adam Turner, Bruce Stone, Skipper Manter and Janice Haynes

Greg called the meeting to order at 5:01 pm

Reserve Fund Transfer:

Bruce had cut his budget for hours but now needed money to cover unexpected hours till the end of the year. He is requesting \$1400.

Clark made the motion to approve the Reserve Fund Transfer as stated. Cathy seconded. Roll call vote – all in favor (5-0-0)

Budget Review:

- **Review of Up Island School District 2023 Budget:**

Matt shared the highlight sheet that had been sent out to the committee before the meeting. He explained the changes to the budget with help from Mark, Donna and Susan. There was some discussion and questions, but it was felt that the budget was on target.

- **Review of the MV Regional High School 2023 Budget:**

Sara Dingley went over the changes and highlights with help from Sam and Suzanne. There were questions about the contingency fund which were answered, and about the MSBA grant which they are waiting to hear about. They discussed the funding formula for the 6 towns and the progress made with talking to the town of Oak Bluffs. There had been none.

- **Review of the MV Commission 2023 Budget**

Adam Turner explained that their budget increases are mostly from legal fees. Greg asked if this was the new norm and Adam said he hoped not but it seems to be. There was discussion about future projects with growth issues and traffic.

Old Business:

- **Building Department Narrative:**

There was no discussion.

New Business:

- **Preliminary recommendations for budget:**

Doug suggested they start at next meeting

- **Next meeting:**

The next meeting will be Thursday February 17th. They will do the Preliminary recommendations for the budget and start on the warrant. Janice will also send last months minutes to be reviewed.

Scheduling:

Discussed above.

Committee Reports: None

Topics Not Anticipated:

- Doug informed the committee that after 8 years he will not be running again for the Finance Committee.

With no further items to discuss, Greg made the motion to adjourn. Doug seconded.

Roll call vote – all in favor

Meeting adjourned at approximately 6:33 pm

Respectfully submitted,
Janice Haynes
Administrative Assistant