

West Tisbury Finance Committee Meeting
April 6, 2023, 5:00 pm
via Zoom
~ Approved April 18, 2023 ~

Present: John Christensen, Skipper Manter, and Greg Orcutt

Absent: Clark Rattet and Cathy Minkiewicz

Also: Martina Thornton and Janice Haynes

Greg called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm

Minutes to approve: March 14, 2023 and March 30, 2023

There were no edits or corrections offered on either set.

Skipper moved to approve the Minutes of March 14, 2023. John seconded. Roll call vote; All in favor (3-0-0)

Skipper moved to approve the Minutes of March 30, 2023. John seconded. Roll call vote; All in favor (3-0-0)

New Business: There was none.

- **Discussion of warrant articles for Annual Town Meeting:**

They wanted to discuss the article regarding the Health care Access building project. Skipper summarized the situation and explained that the County Advisory board had met and approved money from their Capital Improvements funds to pay for the Owners Project Manager (OPM) that the Fin Com had asked them to do. The problem was they did not specify an OPM, and voted to hire a Professional Project Supervisor (PPS). Skippers wondered if the board should rescind their recommendation since it isn't an OPM. John believes that it is just a matter of terminology and thinks they should leave it as is. Martina assured them that she would be checking the credentials.

Skipper moved to rescind the previous vote to recommend article 37. John seconded. Roll call vote; All in favor (3-0-0)

Skipper then moved to recommend article 37 contingent on the hiring of a Professional Project Supervisor. John seconded. Roll call vote; All in favor (3-0-0)

Old Business: There was none.

Topics Unanticipated:

- John shared about being frustrated with Island Housing Trust and making some comments. He also shared the apology letter sent to the director.

- Skipper spoke about the last Select Board meeting said that he had been taken aback by comments made by Cynthia Mitchel who did not support the 10% wage increase article. He wanted to be sure the Finance Committee was prepared to speak at town meeting. John thought the personnel Board should be the ones to speak. Skipper wanted the board to see the recording of the BOS meeting. Janice will send the link

Scheduling:

- The next meeting will be April 18th since town meeting night falls on the regular meeting night.

Committee Reports: There were none.

Correspondence: There was none.

*With no further items to discuss, John made the motion to adjourn. Skipper seconded.
Roll call vote, all in favor*

Meeting adjourned at 5:27 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Janice Haynes
Administrative Assistant