

TOWN OF EDGARTOWN  
**FY23 Joint Meetings of Financial Advisory Committee and the Selectboard**  
Thursday, January 27, 2022 – 3:00 PM  
ZOOM MEETING

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

**FINANCIAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (FINCOM)**

Donna Lowell-Bettencourt – Chair, Leslie Baynes – Vice-Chair (VC), James Carter, Robert Coad, Nedine Cunningham, Paul Pertile    *Not present: Steve Jordan*

**SELECTBOARD (SB)**

Margaret E. Serpa – Chair, Arthur Smadbeck

**OTHERS:**

James Hagerty – Town Administrator (TA), Lisa Sherman – Director/Edgartown Library, Lyndsay Famariss – Council on Aging Administrator, Karen R. Medeiros – Town Clerk, Paul Bagnall – Shellfish Constable

Chair Donna Lowell-Bettencourt called the FINCOM meeting to order at 3:00 PM.

Chair Margaret E. Serpa called the SB meeting to order at 3:00 PM.

*(Recorder's Note: Discussions are summarized and grouped for clarity and brevity).*

***Documents on file as referred to during the meeting: FY23 Edgartown Budget Book 14 January 2022.pdf***

TA James Hagerty screen shared the appropriate pages as each agenda item was presented/reviewed.

**LIBRARY:**

TA Hagerty screen shared the updated budget changes; Lisa Sherman said the changes were in Salaries and Wages which reflected paid lunches for 4 staff members which in turn impacted the Books and Materials line.

One Warrant Article:

1. \$385,000 to connect a generator to the Library.

Members discussed if there was an immediate need for this; the Fire Chief was the person to talk with to understand the urgency of creating this location as an emergency shelter; all were in agreement to put this on hold.

**COUNCIL ON AGING:**

Lyndsay Famariss said she was asking for an increase in the utilities to support a new phone system and internet costs; building maintenance increased to support the actual costs of the cleaning services; postage was added back as it was deleted in error; new line item for a van, as part of a joint project with the Martha's Vineyard Transit Authority (VTA) and Healthy Aging MV.

One Warrant Article:

1. \$45,000 for exterior painting and replacement of wooden gutters and trim work.

**TOWN CLERK:**

Karen R. Medeiros said everything had stayed the same except for raises.

**ANIMAL CONTROL:**

TA Hagerty introduced Kimberly Andrade, the new Animal Control Officer. He said there were no changes to the budget and no warrant articles; salary changes were statutorily driven.

**AFFORDABLE HOUSING:**

Canceled.

**SHELLFISH:**

Paul Bagnall introduced his replacement, Rob Morrison; he said he was able to hold the expenses to a 1.4% increase which was primarily driven by heating and insurances.

5 Warrant Articles:

1. \$39,000 for membership in the MV Shellfish Group.
2. \$44,000 for funding of Shellfish Department Programs.
3. \$15,000 for an outboard motor.
4. \$78,000 to purchase a ¾ ton pick-up truck.
5. \$22,000 to clean up the Mattakesett herring creek.

★ The next meeting was scheduled on Tuesday, February 1, 2022 at 3:00 PM.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

*DISCUSSION ENSUED THEREON, UPON A MOTION DULY MADE BY ARTHUR SMADBECK AND SECONDED BY MARGARET E. SERPA, THE SELECTBOARD MEETING UNANIMOUSLY ADJOURNED AT 3:31 PM.*

*DISCUSSION ENSUED THEREON, UPON A MOTION DULY MADE BY LESLIE BAYNES AND SECONDED BY NEDINE CUNNINGHAM, THE FINANCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING UNANIMOUSLY ADJOURNED AT 3:31 PM.*

Respectfully submitted;

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James Hagerty, Town Administrator

*Teresa Kruszewski, Recorder*