

FINANCIAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES  
APRIL 19, 2017 – 4:30 PM

MEMBERS PRESENT: PAULO DEOLIVEIRA, CHAIR; STEVE JORDAN; MORT FEAREY, JR.; LES BAYNES; JIM CARTER

OTHERS PRESENT: CHIEF DAVID ROSSI; CHIEF PETER SHEMETH; VICTORIA HAESLARTH, COA.

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 4:30 PM. A MOTION WAS MADE, SECONDED AND VOTED TO APPROVE MINUTES FROM DECEMBER 21, 2016 AND JANUARY 25, 2017. APPROVED.

A REQUEST FOR TRANSFER FROM THE RESERVE FUND WAS PRESENTED BY THE POLICE CHIEF AND FIRE CHIEF FOR \$7,800.00. A DISCUSSION TOOK PLACE REGARDING THE REPLACEMENT OF ANTENNAS NOW INSTALLED ON THE WATER TOWER. DURING RECENT PAINTING OF THE TOWER, THE ANTENNAS WERE MOVED AND ARE NOW FASTENED TO THE RAILING. THE RAILING IS LOWER THAN THE PREVIOUS INSTALLATION SPOT AND THE FREQUENCY HAS BEEN AFFECTED. THE REQUEST IS FOR FOUR NEW 12' MASTS AND TO REMOVE ONE EXISTING BASE STATION, ALONG WITH STRONGER SUPPORTS AND CABLES AS NEEDED. THE REQUEST WAS APPROVED FOR \$7,800.00. (ONE MEMBER ABSTAINED FROM VOTING AS HE IS INVOLVED WITH THE FIRE DEPARTMENT) IT WAS MENTIONED THAT THE POLICE AND FIRE ARE APPLYING FOR A GRANT FOR FUTURE INSTALLATIONS OF ANTENNAS.

THE SELECTMEN'S OFFICE REQUESTED A TRANSFER OF \$3,200.00 FROM THE RESERVE FUND FOR REPAIR OF THE TOWN HALL BUILDING ELEVATOR. IT IS LEAKING HYDRAULIC FLUID AND PARTS NEED TO BE REPLACED TO PASS SAFETY STANDARDS. THE REQUEST FOR \$3,200.00 WAS APPROVED.

THE HARBORMASTER'S DEPARTMENT REQUESTED A TRANSFER OF \$14,000.00 FOR REPLACEMENT OF A FURNACE FAILURE IN MARCH. THE ESTIMATE FOR THE REPLACEMENT WAS \$11,000.00. QUESTIONS WERE ASKED ABOUT THE ADDITIONAL \$3,000.00 REQUEST TO DO UPGRADES TO HOOKUPS NOT UP TO CODE. THE FAC APPROVED THE \$11,000. TO COVER THE COST OF THE FURNACE REPLACEMENT BUT ASKED THE HARBORMASTER'S DEPARTMENT TO PROVIDE AN ADDITIONAL ESTIMATE TO SHOW THE WORK TO BE COVERED USING THE \$3,000.00. AN EMAIL WAS SENT TO THE DEPARTMENT HEAD.

THE COUNCIL ON AGING PRESENTED A REQUESTED FOR \$4,825.00 FOR FENCE REPLACEMENT. THIS WAS SUPPOSED TO BE AN ARTICLE AT THE RECENT TOWN MEETING, BUT SOMEHOW WAS MISPLACED AND NOT PUT ON THE WARRANT. THE ESTIMATE IS FOR THE REQUESTED AMOUNT, BUT THE FAC HAD QUESTIONS ON THE MATERIALS TO BE USED, SUCH AS HOW MUCH FENCING NEEDS TO BE REPLACED AND IS PRESSURE TREATED LUMBER THE MATERIAL THAT SHOULD BE USED. THERE WAS ALSO A QUESTION IF THEY HAD OBTAINED PERMISSIO FROM THE HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION BEFORE BEGINNING ANY WORK. THE REQUEST WAS POSTPONED UNTIL ANSWERS COULD BE RECEIVED ABOUT THE MATERIALS, PAINTING ESTIMATE AND HDC APPROVAL.

IN OTHER BUSINESS, DISCUSSION TOOK PLACE ABOUT MOVING THE TIME OF THE MEETINGS BACK TO 4:00 PM. A MOTION WAS MADE, SECONDED AND VOTED TO MOVE THE MEETING TIME BACK TO 4:00 PM. PLEASE NOTE THAT THE MAY 17, 2017 WILL BE THE COMMITTEE'S REORGANIZATION MEETING WITH THE TOWN CLERK PRESENT. THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, THE MEETING ADJOURNED AT 5:45 PM.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,  
GAIL AVAKIAN, ASSISTANT

