



ARLINGTON FINANCE COMMITTEE  
MINUTES OF MEETING  
TOWN HALL LYON'S ROOM  
7:30 PM 2/29/16

ATTENDEES:

Deyst*	White	Caccavaro*	Kellar	McKenna*
DeCoursey	Wallach*	Harmer*	Gibian	
Tosti*	Foskett*	Bayer*	Duvadie	
Russell*	Beck*	Jones*	Deshler	
Franclemont*	Howard*	Fanning*	Carman*	Turkall*

\*Indicates present

MINUTES of 2/22/16 accepted as corrected. Unanimous.

SCHOOL ENROLLMENT TASK FORCE: Tosti, Foskett & Carmen reported on developments. The School Committee voted to take back the Gibbs. The Schools would like to get architect and engineering estimates for the several options: renovate Gibbs, add to Ottoson, add to Thompson. Tosti suggested splitting the cost of these studies between the Reserve Fund & the Schools. Schools do not want to relieve the pressure by redistricting. A new possibility would be to return to a junior high format with all the elementary schools including Gibbs as a K-6. Several members feel, based on personal experience, that moving children from school to school is not a disaster.

BUD 15 REDEVELOPMENT BOARD: GenGov SubCom Howard recommended the budget as printed. He provided a listing (Ref 1) of revenue & expenses for all the rental properties. He said the large ARB expenses compared the last year's actuals, are because of expected extensive zoning bylaw upgrades as suggested in the Master Plan.

VOTED \$10,800 Unanimous

BUD 23a HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES ADMIN: HumSer SubCom Franclemont recommended the budget as printed since it differs from FY16 by COLAs only.

VOTED \$389,609 Unanimous.

BUD 23b VETERANS SERVICES: Voted 2/17. Franclemont reported that no transfer is expected this year (FY 16).

BUD 23c COUNCIL ON AGING: HumSer SubCom Franclemont recommended the budget as printed. She noted that the department has a contract employee to handle intake instead of volunteers. This will provide more consistent advice.

VOTED \$225,730. Unanimous.

CoA ENTERPRISE FUND: HumSer SubCom Franclemont recommended the expenses as printed. The use of retained earnings was corrected to balance this budget. Retained earnings in July were \$93,211. Temporary drivers are being trained.

VOTED \$103,000. Unanimous

AYCC EF: HumSer SubCom Franclemont recommended a \$5k increase in the budget as printed. Retained earnings in July were \$23,055.

VOTED \$585,488. Unanimous

LIBRARIES: HumSer SubCom Franclemont recommended the budget as printed. There are many personnel changes. She provided statistics showing the library to be one of the best & busiest in the State. The new automated tagging system (RFID) will be in operation this year.

VOTED \$2,266,117 Unanimous

BUD 19c FIRE SERVICES: ComSafe SubCom Bayer recommended the budget as printed. No new personnel in FY17. May be within budget in FY16. Increased expense details are expected to be more realistic. There is no plan to upgrade the fire personnel to paramedic medical skill. Fire Headquarters is now in the Central Fire Station.

VOTED \$7,111,956 Unanimous.

BUD 20 INSPECTIONS: ComSafe SubCom Harmer recommended the budget as printed.

There is concern with possible costs associated with some of the proposed zoning changes. If the Mugar development goes forward there will be sizable inspection income and work.

VOTED \$440,218. Unanimous.

COMMITTEE The Chair plans a wrap up meeting on 4/13. Still no mtg on 4/4 or 4/6.

RESERVE FUND Balance \$1,200,000 of which \$200,000 is held for SPED if needed.

Peter Howard 3/3/16 Revised 3/7/16

Ref 1 Rental Properties Income & Expense

**General Fund Rental Properties**

Rental Property	2014 Actual	2015 Actual	2016 Budget	2017 Request	
Gibbs Revenue	\$286,225	\$328,741	\$334,003	\$340,380	Capital Costs included in FY15-FY17
Parmenter Revenue	\$192,159	\$215,045	\$219,060	\$223,155	Capital Costs included in FY15-FY17
Dallin Revenue	\$45,120	\$45,120	\$45,000	\$45,000	

Expenses in Budget Book

Rental Property	2014 Actual	2015 Actual	2016 Budget	2017 Request	
Ryder Street Revenue	\$109,383	\$121,682	\$128,650	\$131,170	Capital costs included for FY16 and FY17
Ryder Street Expenses	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
Mt. Gilboa Revenue	\$4,000	\$24,000	\$24,000	\$24,000	
Mt. Gilboa Expenses	\$2,408	\$611	\$3,000	\$3,000	

**Urban Renewal**

	2014 Actual	2015 Actual	2016 Budget	2017 Request	
Central School Revenue	\$303,229	\$296,659	\$286,118	\$109,855	*FY17 does not include rent for DMH/DDS space
Central School Expenses	\$273,658	\$254,870	\$264,000	\$264,000	
23 Maple Street Revenue	\$50,282	\$50,282	\$54,999	\$56,045	Capital Costs included in FY16 and FY17
23 Maple Street Expenses	\$10,891	\$9,457	\$10,000	\$10,000	
Jefferson Cutter Revenue	\$2,873	\$2,400	\$2,400	\$2,400	
Jefferson Cutter Expenses	\$34,670	\$40,773	\$25,000	\$25,000	

"Capital Costs" refers to the portion of the rent that is intended to pay for capital expenses