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Minutes 03/15/2010

ARLINGTON FINANCE COMMITTEE
 MINUTES OF MEETING
 7:30PM O'Neill Room Community Safety Building
 3/15/10

ATTENDEES:

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| McGaffigan | | Bayer* | Phelps* | Dunn |
| DeCoursey* | Connors | Simmons | Olszewski* | |
| Tosti* | Foskett* | Deyst | Ronan* | |
| Ferrara* | Franclemont* | Jones* | Deshler* | |
| DuBois* | Howard* | Fanning* | Carman* | Turkall* |

* Indicates present

VISITORS: Capital Planning Committee members: John FitzMaurice, Tony Lionetta, Barbara Thornton

MINUTES of 3/8 approved as amended. Unanimous

ART 53 CAPITAL BUDGET Foskett as Chair of the Capital Planning Committee presented the recommended budget using a detailed handout and assisted by the other committee members present. The plan is based on the original low estimate of expected state aid. The presentation emphasized the programs at Stratton & Thompson. Parks & Recreation, Public Works, Police & Fire were also discussed. The \$10.5m recommended budget was broken down into cash, bond and other as usual. The portion of this that must be paid from the general fund was laid out through an extended calculation, a piece of which may have to be reconsidered to account for the Stratton renovation bonding. The bottom line may not change.

VOTED \$7,959,673 Unanimous

SMART 4 FIRE STATIONS: Foskett recommended \$1,250k for the Central Station & \$3,700k for the Highland Fire Station so that preparations can begin right away even though these projects are part of the FY11 plan. VOTED \$4,950,000 Unanimous

SCHOOL BUDGET: School SubCom to arrange to get budget to FinCom before hearing on 3/29.

BUD 22b VETERANS SERVICES HumSer SubCom (Franclemont) stated that the Director thinks the increases in recent years will level off in FY11 so that the level funded budget is justified. She recommended the budget as printed. VOTED \$326,568 Unanimous

BUD 22c COUNCIL ON AGING HumSer SubCom (Franclemont) stated that the Director would be willing to trade the under-utilized Harry Barber Program & the often unfunded Minuteman Care Program to partly fund another social worker. She would like to have the Director address the FinCom. This may also be discussed w/ the Manager.

BUD 4 PERSONNEL: Personnel SubCom (Phelps) recommended the budget as printed but will request detail on

the Training & Professional Development line item. VOTED \$177,896 Unanimous.

COMMITTEE:

Members received the final Warrant which included the Special Town Meeting articles.

A free ATFC workshop is available on pension funding on 4/29 5:30 to 7:00PM in Lancaster. Register at MMA website.

The agenda for past & future meetings may be found at www.arlingtonma.gov/fincom

RESERVE FUND BALANCE \$508,915.92

Peter B Howard 3/16/10

cc FinCom Members, Selectmen, Town Manager, Library File, Town Web Site FinCom Web Site

VOTE SUMMARY – Articles

| # 2/10 | # | # | Title | Date Heard | Date Voted | Status (Unlisted votes were unanimous) |
|--------|---|---|---|------------|------------|--|
| 20 | | | PAYT | | | request Manager |
| 24 | | | Tax Checkoff for CoA Transportation | 2/24 | 3/1 | No report |
| 26 | | | Double Pole Home Rule Legis | | | request Manager |
| 28 | | | Pension Liability Funding | | | request Manager |
| 29 | | | Transfer Crosby | | | request Manager |
| 30 | | | Transfer Parmenter | | | request Manager |
| 31 | | | Sell Crosby | | | request Manager |
| 32 | | | Sell Parmenter | | | request Manager |
| 33 | | | Accept Law to Consolidate Twn & Sch Admin | | | Reorg Com in April |
| 34 | | | Consolidate Twn & Sch Admin | | | Reorg Com in April |
| 36 | | | Dog Control | 3/1 | | |
| 37 | | | Compensation of Selectmen | | | |
| 39 | | | Additional Warrant Article notification | 3/1 | | No report |
| 47 | | | Collective Bargaining | | | |
| 48 | | | Future Collective Bargaining | | | |
| 49 | | | Salary Adjustment Elected Officials | | | |
| 50 | | | Positions Reclassification | | | |
| 51 | | | Vacation Time Bylaw | | | |
| 52 | | | Budgets | | | |
| 53 | | | Capital Budget | 3/15 | 3/15 | \$7,959,673 |
| 54 | | | Rescind authority to borrow | | | |
| 55 | | | Sewers | | | 3/17 |
| 56 | | | Water | | | 3/17 |
| 57 | | | Minuteman Tech | 2/22 | | 2/22 |
| 58 | | | Minutean Tech Bond Authorization | 2/22 | | 2/22 |

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| 59 | | Committees & Commissions | 2/17, 3/1 | 2/17, 3/1 | \$14,760, \$5000 for ARC |
| 60 | | Celebrations | | | |
| 61 | | Misc Appropriations | | | |
| 62 | | Scholarship Fund Expenses | | | |
| 63 | | Pension Adjustment | | | |
| 64 | | Safe Routes to School | | | |
| 65 | | Harry Barber Service Program | 2/24 | | Hum Serv SubCom |
| 66 | | Minuteman Senior Services | 2/24 | | Hum Serv SubCom |
| 67 | | Social Worker | 2/24 | | Hum Serv SubCom |
| 68 | | Traffic Supervisors | 2/24 | 2/24 | No action |
| 69 | | Water Bodies | 2/17 | 2/17 | \$15,000 |
| 70 | | Uncle Sam | 2/17 | 3/1 | No action |
| 71 | | Restore Trees | 2/17 | 3/1 | No action, Desheler comment |
| 72 | | Local Option Taxes | | | |
| 73 | | OPEB | | | |
| 74 | | Tip Fee Stab Fund | | | |
| 75 | | Transfer of Cemetery Funds | | | |
| 76 | | Overlay Reserve | | | |
| 77 | | Stabilization Fund | | | |
| 78 | | Free Cash | | | |
| STM4 | | Fire Station Renovation | 3/15 | 3/15 | \$4,950,000 |

VOTE SUMMARY-Budgets

| # | Title | Date Heard | Date Voted | Amount | Vote Unlisted votes were unanimous |
|----|------------------------|------------|------------|-----------|------------------------------------|
| 1 | FinCom | 2/22 | 2/22 | 10,988 | |
| 2 | Board of Selectmen | | | | |
| 3 | Town Manager | 3/8 | 3/8 | 417,916 | |
| 4 | Personnel | 3/15 | 3/15 | \$177,896 | |
| 5 | Information Technology | 2/22 | 2/22 | 491,878 | |
| 6 | Comptroller | 2/22 | 2/22 | 399,044 | |
| 7 | Treasurer | | | | |
| 8 | Postage | | | | |
| 9 | Assessors | | | | |
| 10 | Legal | 3/1 | 3/1 | 409,316 | |
| 11 | Town Clerk | 3/8 | 3/8 | 234,810 | |
| 12 | Registrar of Voters | 3/8 | 3/8 | 59,873 | |

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|----------|------------------------------|------|------|-----------|------|
| 13 | Parking | | | | |
| 14 | Planning | 3/8 | 3/8 | 231,352 | |
| 15 | Redevelopment Board | 3/8 | 3/8 | 270,454 | |
| 16 | Zoning Board of Appeals | 2/24 | 2/24 | 23,890 | |
| 17 | Public Works | | | | |
| 17g | Street Lights | 3/8 | 3/8 | 418,893 | |
| 18a | Community Safety Admin | | | | |
| 18b | Police | | | | |
| 18c | Fire | 3/1 | 3/1 | 5,463,081 | 15-1 |
| 18d | Support | | | | |
| 19 | Inspections | 3/8 | 3/8 | 367,894 | |
| 20 | Education | | | | |
| 21 | Library | 2/22 | 2/22 | 1,888,852 | 12-1 |
| 22a | Health & Human Services | | | | |
| 22b | Veterans | 3/15 | 3/15 | 326,568 | |
| 22c | COA | 3/15 | | | |
| 23 | Retirement | 3/8 | 3/8 | 7,003,065 | |
| 24 | Insurance | | | | |
| 25 | Reserve Fund | | | | = |
| W&S EF | Rev 16383255 Exp 16383255 | | | | |
| Rec EF | Rev 600,500, Exp 597,132 | | | | |
| Rnk EF | Rev 567,000, Exp 560,267 | | | | |
| COA EF | Rev 115136, Exp 111133 | | | | |
| Youth EF | Rev 85000, Exp 403494 | | | | |