

Town of Provincetown Finance Committee

Caucus Hall Meeting Minutes

Thursday, March 18, 2004

Chair Ruth Gilbert opened the meeting at 1:05 PM noting the following attendees:

Present: Chair Ruth Gilbert, Vice Chair Sue Buerkel, Robert Vetrick, Gail Enos, Matthew Clark, Ann Maguire, Mark Leach and Tom Thurston.

Excused Absent: Ginny Ross

Also present: Town Accountant Bruce Miller-Director of Municipal Finance, Parking Administrator Don Richards, School Committee and Elementary School Principal.

Minutes from last meeting were reviewed. **Motion: by Robert Vetrick, seconded by Mark Leach to table until the next meeting and it passed 8:0:0.**

BUDGET REVIEW FOR FY2005

673 - CULTURAL COUNCIL (No one from the Cultural Council attended the meeting)

- Request of \$2,500 which is level funded.

Less than 10% of their FY03 budget has been spent.

Motion was made to not recommend budget by Ann Maguire, seconded by Gail Enos and it passed 8:0:0.

299 - PARKING DEPARTMENT (Parking Administrator Don Richards)

- Request of \$359,256 which is approximately \$1,100 below last year.

- Department expects revenue increases in the nature based on anticipated approval of parking fine increases and also when the sewer project is out of the Jerome Smith Lot the department should be able to get another 30-40 parking meters in there which will help to increase parking meter revenues.

- Skateboard Park Lot will soon be plotted to accommodate camper and car parking. Signs will be posted that reserve spaces for Skateboard Park users only. Parking/meter officers will ticket violators.

Motion was made to accept as requested by Robert Vetrick, seconded by Gail Enos and it passed 8:0:0.

300 - SCHOOL DEPARTMENT (School Committee Chair Terese Nelson, Molly Perdue, Debra Trovato, Dr. Frank Wills and Elementary School Principal Anthony Leso)

- Request of \$4,212,333 reflects an increase of 1.9%.

School Committee will look at cutting the budget at their next meeting due to the reflected increase of \$77,867.

Motion was made to table until Friday, March 26th meeting and it passed 8:0:0.

310 - CAPE COD REGIONAL TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL

- Request of \$53,851.

Motion was made to accept as requested by Tom Thurston, seconded by Gail Enos and it passed 8:0:0.

- School Committee Capital Improvement Request of \$495,000. Involves renovation to auditorium, gymnasium floor and ceiling and boys/girls locker rooms.

Motion was made to table until future discussion with School Committee regarding figures on Friday, March 26th meeting by Ann Maguire, seconded by Gail Enos and it passed 8:0:0.

- Recap and review of Town Warrants/Articles. » Doug Johnstone handed out 2003 Town Report.

- Chair Ruth Gilbert commended Finance Committee members for their hard work and attendance.

« Chair reminded Committee to prepare a statement/message to voters.

Motion to adjourn meeting at 4:00PM by Matthew Clark, seconded by Robert Vetrick and it passed 8:0:0.

Next meeting Monday, March 22nd at 4:00 PM. Minutes transcribed by

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