



Town of Nantucket Finance Committee

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Committee Members: Denice Kronau (Chair), Joseph T. Grause Jr. (Vice-chair), Jeremy Bloomer
Chris Glowacki, Steve Maury, Peter McEachern, Joanna Roche, Peter Schaeffer, Jill Vieth

MINUTES

Tuesday, March 7, 2023

In-Person & ZOOM – 4:00 p.m.

Called to order at 4:00 pm. by Ms. Kronau.

Staff in attendance: Libby Gibson, Town Manager; Brian Turbitt, Director of Finance; Susan Carmel, Assistant Director Finance; Mariya Basheva, Assistant Town Accountant

Attending Members: Kronau, Grause, Schaeffer, Vieth, Bloomer, Glowacki

Absent Members: McEachern, Maury, Roche

Documents used: Proposed ARTICLES for Review and Consideration

I. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion	Motion to Approve. (made by: Schaeffer) (seconded by: Grause)
Roll-call Vote	Carried 5-0// Kronau, Grause, Bloomer, Schaeffer, Vieth - aye

II. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Chair Kronau called for public comments. (None)

III. REVIEW, DISCUSSION AND POTENTIAL ADOPTION OF MOTION FOR THE FOLLOWING TOWN MEETING WARRANT ARTICLES:

1. Article 1	Select Board	Receipt of Reports
Discussion:	Brian Turbitt, Town of Nantucket, Director of Finance - Noted at the March 7, 2023, Nantucket Finance Committee Meeting, Article 1 pertains to the receipt of various reports from departments and committees, as printed in the annual Town report. - Mentioned was that typically, there is a motion made each year to accept and file these reports with the permanent record. - Requested was a positive motion on this article.	
Motion:	Motion to accept. (00:01:25) (made by: Grause) (seconded by: Schaeffer)	
Roll-Call Vote:	Carried 5-0// Kronau, Grause, Bloomer, Schaeffer, Vieth - aye	

2. Article 2	Select Board	Appropriation: Unpaid Bills
Discussion:	Brian Turbitt, Town of Nantucket, Director of Finance - Stated at the meeting, the fiscal year ends on June 30, with prior year bills payable until July 15. Afterwards, unpaid bills can be encumbered. Listed were unpaid bills due to late receipt or departmental transitions. This year, the general fund has \$13,197 in unpaid bills. - Identified unpaid bills include: - Island Home: \$55,000 (administrative transitions) - Solid Waste: \$16,616 (contract issues) - Sewer Enterprise Fund: \$332 (missed invoice) - Airport: \$6,495 (work on access control panels)	

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	- Recommended payment sources: - General fund: free cash - Island Home and Solid Waste: retained earnings - A positive motion was requested to authorize these payments, requiring a four-fifths vote at the town meeting.
Motion:	Motion to adopt. (made by: Grause) (seconded by: Schaeffer)
Roll-Call Vote:	Carried 5-0// Kronau, Grause, Bloomer, Schaeffer, Vieth - aye

3. Article 4	Select Board	Revolving Accounts: Spending Limits for FY 2024
Discussion:	Brian Turbitt, Town of Nantucket, Director of Finance - Noted at the meeting, revolving funds are dedicated for specific purposes and do not enter the general fund. - Listed were funds established under a bylaw in Section 19-21, detailing their revenue sources, authority, uses, and spending limits. - Once these limits are adopted at the Town Meeting, they can only be increased with joint approval from the Finance Committee and the Select Board within the fiscal year. - Proposed an increase in the municipal aggregation operational adder to \$250,000. - This request, driven by the program's success with rebates for residential solar systems and potential installation of additional charging stations, will be presented at a future Finance Committee meeting. - Highlighted was a proposed bylaw amendment to rename a fund from "sewer housing" to "public works housing" in Article 71, with an asterisk noting this change. This amendment should be adopted beforehand to ensure clarity. - Regarding airport aviation fuel, explained the function of the fund holding receipts from fuel sales, which also purchases fuel. Once the fund reaches the cap of \$6,900,000, any excess funds are allocated to the general operations of the airport. This structure has been in place for about eight or nine years.	
Motion:	Motion to adopt with the change. (made by: Grause) (seconded by: Schaeffer)	
Roll-Call Vote:	Carried 6-0// Kronau, Grause, Bloomer, Schaeffer, Vieth, Glowacki - aye	

4. Article 7	Select Board	Personnel Compensation Plans for FY 2024
Discussion:	Brian Turbitt, Town of Nantucket, Director of Finance - Explained was that the committee personnel and staff list includes non-full-time staff such as lifeguards, call firefighters, EMTs, per diems at the Island Home, per diem paramedics, registered nurses, and CSOs. - Schedule C also includes compensation for elected officials like the moderator, Select Board chair, Select Board members, and the town clerk. - Noted was the need to fill approximately 200 seasonal positions annually, including CSOs, lifeguards, and other roles. - Per diem positions at the Island Home and for call firefighters are also included, with a constant need for more staff. - Mentioned was that CSOs are funded partly by the ferry embarkation fee, with any excess paid from the general fund. - Regardless of the funding source, this compensation schedule dictates their pay rates. It was also highlighted that not all seasonal positions are filled every year.	
Motion:	Motion to adopt. (made by: Grause) (seconded by: Bloomer)	

Roll-Call Vote:	Carried 6-0// Kronau, Grause, Bloomer, Schaeffer, Vieth, Glowacki - aye
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IV. REVIEW, DISCUSSION AND POTENTIAL ADOPTION OF MOTION FOR THE FOLLOWING TOWN MEETING WARRANT ARTICLES NOT YET MENTIONED

Discussion:	None
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V. DATE OF NEXT MEETINGS

Next meetings: March 9, 2023, 4:00 pm (Fully Remote)

VI. COMMITTEE REPORTS

None

VII. OTHER BUSINESS

None

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Motion **Motion to Adjourn at 4:20 pm.**

Roll-call Vote Carried 6-0// Kronau, Grause, Bloomer, Schaeffer, Vieth, Glowacki - aye

Submitted by:
Elaina Cano