

Pepperell Finance Committee
Minutes
March 12, 2009

Members

Present: Diane Gaspar (Chair), Burke Bero (Vice-Chair), Chris DeSimone, Stephanie Cronin
Jeanne LeBlanc, Chris Johnson, Theresa Walsh (Town Accountant)

Absent:

Guests:

Opening

Ms. Gaspar called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm

Appointments

GIS Committee (Geographic Information System) Presentation by Jason Stanton

- Computerized, Intelligent data
- DPW uses for sewer and paving projects, water master plan, plotting well radius
- Public Safety uses for dispatch system
- Conservation Commission uses for wetlands overlay, measuring tool
- Fire Chief uses for first responder map, hydrant locations, insurance company calls

Vote to reconsider previous GIS vote and add \$10,000 to GIS budget- Motion by Mr. DeSimone, Second by Mrs. LeBlanc.

Yes – 6 / No – 0

Discussions

Review of budget shortfall survey

- Committee reviewed latest iteration of 2010 budget shortfall survey. Next step will be to forward to the selectmen for vote/approval.

Votes on Proposed Cuts

Use \$450,000 of Free Cash - Motion by Mr. DeSimone, Second by Mrs. LeBlanc.

Yes – 6 / No – 0

Use \$80,000 of Stabilization for Capital - Motion by Mr. DeSimone, Second by Mrs. LeBlanc.

Yes – 6 / No – 0

Move to Nashoba BOH - Motion by Mr. DeSimone, Second by Mrs. LeBlanc.

Yes – 6 / No – 0

Recommend layoffs including; PT Police Clerk, PT Assessors Clerk, Highway Truck Driver - Motion by Mr. DeSimone, Second by Mrs. LeBlanc.

Yes – 6 / No – 0

Freeze Step increases for non-union employees - Motion by Mr. DeSimone, Second by Mrs. LeBlanc.

Yes – 5 / No – 1 Mr. DeSimone to file minority report

Minutes

Minutes from January 22, 2009 – Motion by Mr. DeSimone, Second by Mrs. LeBlanc.

Accept (6) – Oppose (0)

Minutes from February 5, 2009 – Motion by Mr. DeSimone, Second by Mrs. LeBlanc.

Accept (5) – Oppose (1)

Ammended to include Mr. DeSimone minority report

Minutes from February 14, 2009 – Motion by Mr. DeSimone, Second by Mrs. LeBlanc.

Accept (6) – Oppose (0)

Minutes submitted by: Chris Johnson

Closing

Ms. Gaspar moved to adjourn at 8:20pm