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RE: **Regular Meeting of the Board of Finance Minutes**
DATE: February 19, 2020
TIME: 7:30 p.m.
PLACE: Hartland Town Hall, 22 South Rd, E. Hartland, CT

Attendance: Chair-Deborah Gilpin, Vice Chairman-Tim Irwin, Nicole Bernabo, Heather Gust, Tom Kean, Holly Martin, Wade Cole-First Selectman, Karen Eseppi-Treasurer

1. The Regular Meeting of the Board of Finance was called to order at 7:35 pm by Chair Deborah Gilpin. Chair Deborah Gilpin made a motion to seat Tom Kean as an alternate for the meeting. Holly Martin seconded the motion. Tom Kean abstained. Motion carried.
2. The minutes from the January 15, 2020 meeting were read. Chair Deborah Gilpin made a motion to accept the minutes as read. Nicole Bernabo seconded the motion. Chair Deborah Gilpin abstained. Motion carried.
3. Expenses/Reports:
 - Board of Education: Wade Cole, First Selectman presented Imma Canelli-Superintendent's report due to her absence. As of January 31, 2020 – 46.11% of the budget has been expended. At this point we are in very good shape and should have a substantial surplus. Attorney fees are overspent due to Teacher Negotiations and Mediation, but this can be absorbed in other areas of the budget. At this point, special education transportation and tuition are low due to a reduced number of out placements. Things are good for the time being, yet there is always the possibility of receiving a new student for special education services.
 - Board of Selectmen: As of January 31, 2020 - 57.91% of the budget has been expended. Only accounts over have been mentioned at prior meetings. Otherwise, everything is in very good shape.
 - Treasurer: 90% of taxes have come in. The ECS Grant came in at the end of January. We have also received a payment on the Peck Orchard Bridge.
 - Chair Deborah Gilpin made a motion to accept the expenses/reports as presented. Heather Gust seconded the motion. Motion carried.
4. Old Business: The Cell Tower on 179 – the Town is working on a lease agreement with the State. The Town has come up with a plan for it. The \$30,000 to cover the cost of the oil tank for Hartland School will come from the surplus in the budget. The Winsome House is \$15,000 over budget. The Town picked up a 2000 Mack truck for \$18,000 and this will replace the International.
5. New Business:
 - Board of Finance Budget 2020-2021. There was a lengthy discussion on what exactly the Board of Finance should post on the Town Website. There is no startup cost for the webpage. Any agendas or minutes that could be posted on the Town website would have to be accepted and have the Town Clerk's stamp on them for verification of being a town document. Connie Irwin will speak with Magi about the steps needed to proceed further. Nicole Bernabo made a motion to set the Board of Finance Budget for 2020-2021 to \$2,415.00. Holly Martin seconded the motion. Motion carried.
 - The next meeting for the Board of Finance is a Special Meeting for the Town Budget. It will be on Wednesday, March 11, 2020 at 7 pm at the Hartland School Library. At that meeting, a decision will be made to determine if the Board of Finance needs to meet the following week at the regularly scheduled meeting, Wednesday, March 18, 2020.
 - The Budget Hearing will be held Monday, May 4, 2020; the Annual Town Meeting will be held Monday, May 18, 2020; and, the Referendum will be held Wednesday, May 27, 2020.



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6. Chair Deborah Gilpin made a motion to adjourn the February 19, 2020 meeting at 8:54 p.m. Holly Martin seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Connie Irwin
Recording Secretary