

Town of Weston

Finance Committee Meeting Minutes

Thursday April 27, 2023

A meeting of the Finance Committee of the Town of Weston, which was duly called and posted in compliance with the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, was held on Thursday April 27, 2023 via a Zoom video conference. There being a quorum present, the meeting was called to order at 7:04 P.M.

Present for the meeting were:

Finance Committee: Lisa Reitano – Chair, Latha Seshadri, Karen Meslin, Jonathan Harris, Matt Seltzer, John Sallay, Bharath Venkataraman, Zach Sadek, George Berbeco

Also Present: Leon Gaumond – Town Manager, Susan Kelly – Finance Director, Jim Polando, Bruce Pastor

1. Matt Seltzer was appointed to serve as Secretary *pro tempore* and charged with keeping the minutes of the meeting.
2. The minutes of the meeting of March 9, 2023 were approved, with Latha not voting as she had joined the meeting late.
3. The minutes of the meeting of March 16, 2023 were approved, with George abstaining as he had not attended the meeting and Latha not voting as she had joined the meeting late.
4. Leon Gaumond gave an introduction and status update on the “water tower” article. The Committee discussed the pros and cons of voting design money now, despite not 100% knowing how it will be allocated. Leon said the Select Board is working on getting more details before the Town Meeting. The Committee discussed better understanding (longer-term) costs to the town and also discussed the merits of funding from water rate payers vs real estate tax payers.
5. Leon Gaumond shared the exact language of the motion to be voted on at Town Meeting. Zach made a motion to support with John Sallay as a second. The Committee unanimously voted to support the motion.
6. The next meeting will tentatively be held early/mid July 2023.
7. The Committee thanked Leon and Susan for their hard work during the budget cycle.

A motion to adjourn was made, duly seconded and the meeting was adjourned at 8:04pm

Respectfully submitted,

Matt Seltzer