

**Finance Committee
Minutes of June 6, 2016**

Present from the Finance Committee: Chairman Louise Tremblay, Vice Chair Helen Hamel, Bob Corey, and Ed Pitta. Also present: Town Manager, James A. Duggan, Ann Vandal, Assistant Town Manager, Diane Daigle, Town Accountant and Recording Secretary Samantha Carver. The meeting was held at the Guidance Workroom at the Dracut High School 1st floor, 1540 Lakeview Avenue, Dracut, MA.

Absent: Richard Ahern, Joseph DiCarlo

The secretary announced to the Committee that member Gerald D'Avolio had resigned from the Committee per a letter received at the Manager's office on May 31, 2016.

The Chairperson opened the meeting at 6:30 p.m. and Finance Director Ann Vandal stated that the Committee tabled articles 23, 24, & 25 from the last meeting and needed to take action on them. The Board of Selectmen voted in favor on Articles 23 and 25 and Article 24 may be dismissed on the floor tonight.

Mr. Corey made a motion to recommend Article 23 to supplement existing funds for the construction of the High School/Middle School Field House project. Mr. Pitta seconded the motion for discussion. It was explained to the Committee that this additional funding was for contingency funds in case the project ran into a change order because the budget currently had no contingency. The motion moved to a vote with all members present voting in favor.

The Committee skipped Article 24 and discussed Article 25. Mrs. Vandal stated that the original motion was not clear on what the funds could be used for and that this article was for clarification of the language on the funding.

Mr. Pitta made a motion to recommend Article 25 to clarify the language of the original article voted on June 1 2015 for the acquisition and care of the Beaver Brook Farm. Mrs. Hamel seconded the motion. The motion carried with all members present voting in favor.

The Committee reviewed Article 24 which was for the appropriation of funds from Community Preservation to move the house located at 324 Broadway Road for historic restoration and preservation. The Committee discussed this article and did not feel that the community preservation funds should be used for this purpose. The Town would not own this parcel nor does the Town want to own this parcel.

Mr. Pitta made a motion to not recommend Article 24. Mr. Corey seconded the motion. The motion carried with all members present voting in favor.

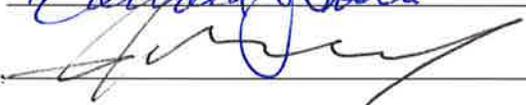
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Mr. Corey made a motion to approve the minutes of May 23, 2016 as presented. Mr. Pitta seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Adjourn

Mrs. Hamel made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:50 p.m. Mr. Corey seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

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Absent: Richard Ahern _____	Absent: Joseph DiCarlo _____