

MINUTES OF MEETING OF WAREHAM FINANCE COMMITTEE

**Date of Meeting: April 21, 2021
(Remote Via Zoom)**

I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 P.M.

II. ROLL CALL

Members Present: Bernie Pigeon, Chair
David Heard, Vice Chair
Gerald Stefanski, Clerk
Tom Worthen
Joseph Smith
Glenn Lawrence

Members Absent: Dominic Cammarano
Stuart Novick

Also Present: Selectman Alan Slavin (Arrived approx. 7:00 P.M.)

III. FINANCE COMMITTEE MATTERS

A. Review & vote 2021 Annual & Special Town Meeting Warrant articles.

Annual TM articles:

Article 6 – FY22 Capital Plan

The WPCF requests come to approx. \$995,000 & will come out of the WPCF Enterprise Fund.

MOTION: Mr. Heard moved Favorable Action on Article 6 of the 2021 Spring Annual Town Meeting Warrant. Mr. Smith seconded.

Brief discussion ensued re: what will happen to the old equipment being replaced.

VOTE: Unanimous (6-0-0)

Article 7 – FY22 Budget

Mr. Smith noted some discrepancies w/ figures received from department heads vs. what is included in the budget. He cited several examples. Discussion ensued & clarifications made.

MOTION: Mr. Smith moved Favorable Action on Article 3 of the 2021 Spring Special Town Meeting Warrant. Mr. Heard seconded.

VOTE: Unanimous (6-0-0)

Article 4 – Transfer of Available Funds

Mr. Pigeon stated there will be a transfer of \$100,000 from Free Cash to subsidize matching funds for grants. This money will go into a separate fund.

MOTION: Mr. Smith moved Favorable Action on Article 4 of the 2021 Spring Special Town Meeting Warrant. Mr. Heard seconded.

VOTE: Unanimous (6-0-0)

Article 8 – Marijuana Delivery Operators Bylaw

Mr. Pigeon explained the operators are only for marijuana manufacturers. Brief discussion ensued re: the proposed Bylaw terminology & impacts to Town.

MOTION: Mr. Stefanski moved Favorable Action on Article 8 of the 2021 Spring Special Town Meeting Warrant. Mr. Heard seconded.

VOTE: (4-0-2)

Mr. Worthen & Mr. Lawrence abstained

Article 10 – Wetland Bylaw Amendment

Mr. Pigeon stated this applies to WV-I District downtown.

Mr. Heard explained the intent of the article which waives the 50 ft. setback to the water edge.

MOTION: Mr. Smith moved Favorable Action on Article 10 of the Spring Special Town Meeting Warrant. Mr. Heard seconded.

VOTE: Unanimous (6-0-0)

MOTION: Mr. Heard moved Favorable Action on Article 1 of the 2021 Spring Special Town Meeting Warrant contingent that the only transfer will be to the veterans account. Mr. Smith seconded.

VOTE: Unanimous (6-0-0)

Mr. Pigeon briefly discussed the compilation of the Warrants.