Advisory Budget Committee Minutes

December 8, 2020

This meeting was at the Barrington Town Hall with remote participation available.

Members Present: Steve Saunders, Peter Royce, Dannen Mannschreck, and John Morris

Others Present: Conner MacIver, Amy Doherty (remote)

Steve Saunders called the meeting to order at 4:34.

The group reviewed the meeting minutes from the December 1st meeting. Steve moves to approve the minutes. The motion passes.

The group discussed the Select Board meeting from December 7th. The outcome of the meeting was that the Select Board accepted the ABC's approval of the budget. The ABC members are appreciative of this.

The Fire/EMS equipment replacement funding alternatives were presented and the ABC's concerns about being short in 2032 were explained. The Select Board did not approve the alternate funding schedule. The Select Board did approve increasing the Warrant Article by \$20,000, for a total of \$80,000. The group would like to accept the Select Board's decision for 2021 and revisit their concerns next year in 2022.

Conner MacIver entered the meeting at 5:35 pm.

The group discussed the Library Warrant Article. The library stated at the Select Board meeting that their intent is not for a design of the new library. The group would like to re-state their position at the December 14th Select Board meeting. The ABC's position on the library Warrant Article, is that it should be raised by taxes and not taken from fund balance.

Meeting Adjourned at 6:19 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Amy Doherty.