

Buckland Finance Committee Minutes
April 13, 2015

Meeting called to order at Buckland Public Library at 7:10 p.m.

Committee members present: Paula Consolo, Karen Blom, Ben Murray.

Others present: Bill Knittle, Buckland resident considering running for a position on the Finance Committee; he is Rowe Elementary School principal.

Review minutes from March 24, 2015. Karen moved to approve. Ben seconds. Unanimously accepted.

Reviewed current version of the memo.

Article 4 -- Elected official salaries. Karen moved to support; Paula seconds. Unanimously approved.

Article 5 – Town budget. Need to make a lot of changes to the language. Will need to vote at next meeting.

Discussed and decided that all money under the levy but not assigned to a budget item will go into general stabilization.

Town Garage. Ask Andrea and selectboard to look into renegotiating Buckland's agreement to heat space to preserve Mayhew equipment.

Article 6 – Special line items. Ben moves to recommend; Karen seconds. Unanimously approved.

Article 7 – School budget. Previously voted. Need to revisit if the selectboard decides to change this.

Article 8 – School capital budget. Previously voted.

Article 11 -- School capital budget. Previously voted.

Article 12 – School bus purchase. Need more information. How many trips will this new school bus take each year? How many years will it be in service? How much will it cost us?

Article 13 – BSE capital budget. Ben moves to recommend; Karen seconds. Unanimously approved.

Article 14 -- Sanderson renovations. Pass over.

Article 15 – Franklin Tech budget. Previously voted. Delete one sentence.

Article 16 – Wastewater treatment. Ben moves to recommend; Karen seconds. Unanimously approved.

Article 17 – Wastewater treatment capital. Previously voted.

Shelburne Falls Area Partnership. No change. Delete from memo.
Perservation of Town Books. No change. Delete from memo.

Article 19 – Highway Road Repaving. Changed language. Previously voted.

Highway Facility. No change.
Authorize revolving fund. No change.

Article 22 – Town capital and stabilization accounts. Some changes to language. Karen moves to recommend; Ben seconds. Unanimously approved.

Article 23 – Recycling Contract renewal. No information, so no vote taken. Need to vote at next meeting.

Next meeting is Wednesday, April 22.
Town election is May 4.
Town meeting is May 6.

Meeting adjourned 9:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Paula Consolo