



# Town of Hanson

Finance Committee  
REVISED

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Minutes of April 23, 2015

Meeting Opened: 7:00 PM  
Adjourned: 10:03 PM

M: SM (2<sup>nd</sup>) JP V: 5-0

	Barbara Arena <i>Chair</i>	Steve McKinnon <i>Vice Chair</i>	Joe Pelligra	OPEN	Michael Wojdag	Teresa Fettig	Michael Dugan
<b>Present</b>	✓	✓	✓		✓	A	✓
<b>Exp</b>	6/30/15	6/30/16	6/30/15	6/30/16	6/30/16	6/30/15	6/30/2017
<b>Time</b>							

Also Present: Jim McGahan, Selectman

## Reserve Fund Requests

No pending reserve fund requests.

## Review of Revised 2016 Budget

Selectman McGahan noted that the language in the explanation for STM Article #5 has been revised to include the details of the planned testing study for Wampatuck Pond. He also mentioned that a confirmed quote of \$7,290 was received.

A timeline of changes made to ATM Article 9 for \$176,000 was presented to the Finance Committee noting that the omission of \$80,000 for the fire alarm and smoke detectors for Indian Head and Middle Schools has not been made by Capital Improvements.

Article 9 of ATM – Motion to Reopen Article 9 – SM, 2<sup>nd</sup> MW, Vote 5-0

Article 9 of ATM – Motion to Amend \$96,000 to \$176,000 – SM, 2<sup>nd</sup> MW, Vote 5-0

Motion to Approve ATM Article for \$176,000 – SM, 2<sup>nd</sup> JP, Vote 5-0

<b>2015 Opening Reserve Fund Balance:</b>	<b>\$86,187</b>
<b>8/12 Town Hall Phone System:</b>	<b>(\$15,000)</b>
<b>1/6/15 Approvals:</b>	
BOH - VNA Services	(\$2,000)
HWY - Equipment Repair	(\$3,500)
HWY - Overtime	(\$4,000)
Tree Warden - Tree Removal	(\$6,500)
<b>2/24/15 Balance:</b>	<b>\$55,187</b>
<b>3/24/15 Approvals:</b>	
BOH – VNA Services	(\$1,168)
Library – Remove snow from roof	(\$5,500)
Highway – Repair	(\$6,733)
Highway – Traffic Light	(\$2,724)
Highway – Meals	(\$3,313)
<b>3/24/15 Balance:</b>	<b>\$35,749</b>
<b>3/31/15 Approvals:</b>	
BOH – Contracted Services	(\$3,500)
<b>3/31/15 Balance:</b>	<b>\$32,249</b>
<b>4/7/15 Approvals:</b>	
Veterans' Services	(\$8,875)
	<b>\$23,374</b>

## Discuss/Review/Recommend Revised 2016 Budget Line Items

Budget line recommendations by FinCom follows:

21 – Board of Registrars – Motion to Reopen SM, 2<sup>nd</sup> JP, Vote 5-0

Motion to Amend \$6,477 to \$7,177 - Motion to Approve SM, 2<sup>nd</sup> JP, Vote 5-0

40 – Fire & Ambulance – Motion to Approve SM, 2<sup>nd</sup> JP, Vote 5-0 –

Amended from \$170,853 to \$175,353 to include \$4,500 for training requested by Chief (5 new firefighters)

55 – Tree Warden – Motion to Approve SM, 2<sup>nd</sup> JP, Vote 5-0 - \$5,000

67, 68 – Solid Waste – Motion to Approve SM, 2<sup>nd</sup> MW, Vote 5-0 - \$0

69 – BOH – Motion to Approve SM, 2<sup>nd</sup> JP, Vote 5-0 - \$93,873

70 – BOH – Motion to Approve SM, 2<sup>nd</sup> JP, Vote 5-0 - \$7,235 (includes safety equipment \$875)

71 – BOH, VNA Services – Motion to Approve SM, 2<sup>nd</sup> JP, Vote 5-0 - \$5,280 (MAVEN at \$20/day)

97 – Solid Waste – Motion to Amend \$112,025 to \$92,096 SM, 2<sup>nd</sup> JP, Vote 4-1

Discussion – Less usage (30% ±) of Transfer Station, does not justify increased hours. Alternative to address safety concern should be considered before increasing hours.

98 – Solid Waste, Expenses – Motion to Approve SM, 2<sup>nd</sup> JP, Vote 5-0 - \$220,250

99 – Solid Waste, Indirect Costs – Motion to Amend \$33,676 to \$16,817 SM, 2<sup>nd</sup> JP, Vote 4-1

Motion to Approve SM, 2<sup>nd</sup> JP, Vote 4-1

#### STM Article Recommendations

Discussion regarding funding small lines with supplement budget vs. line item transfers and/or reserve fund.

Article 2, Lines 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7 – Motion to recommend articles by SM – NO SECOND

Discussion regarding Article 2, Item 5 – Town Wide Fuel –

\$47,200 remaining as of 4/23/15 of \$140K budget

\$126,668 expended as of 6/30/14

\$135,000 budgeted for FY2016

The following Articles were reopened - Motions by SM, 2<sup>nd</sup> by JP, Vote 5-0

Article 5 – Not Recommend Wampatuck Pond Study - \$10,000 – 4-0

Article 7 – Not Recommend Drop Box – \$3,000 – 5-0

Article 12 – Not Recommend, Interior Fire Station, Liberty Street - \$17,000 – 5-0

Amend Article 13 from \$25,000 to \$12,000 – add to Stabilization – 5-0

The above recommendations were made to provide non-borrowed funding source for fire alarms at Indian Head and Hanson Middle resulting in \$43,000 of Free Cash plus \$37,000 budget adjustments to fund from existing levy base.

Future Meeting Date: 4/28/15, 4/30/15

**Adjourned: 10:03pm - Motion to Adjourn by SM, 2<sup>nd</sup> by JP, Vote: 5-0**