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BOARD OF SELECTMEN/FINANCE COMMITTEE

Special Meeting

Thursday, May 19, 2022 6:30 p.m.

Hybrid Meeting

Prime Time Building, 1059 Somerset Avenue, Dighton, MA

And via Zoom

Chairman Hull called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. he gave the Zoom login information and instructions for providing public input.

Roll Call:

Chairman Hull, present.

Selectman Pacheco, present.

Present: Chairman Hull, Selectman Pacheco, town Administrator Mullen, Janelle Vining,

Finance Committee: Chairman Peter Roache, David Carpenter, Kevin Perry, Robert Rendon

Also Present: Town Clerk Mark Pacheco, Veteran's Agent Raymond Hague, Planning Board and ZBA Office Manager Kerrie Easterday, Harbormaster Ron Marino, Highway Superintendent Tom Ferry and Library Director Jocelyn Tavares.

Via Zoom: Town Treasurer Paul Reynolds,

Pledge of Allegiance

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

#145 Town Treasurer

Selectman Pacheco motioned, Chairman Hull stepped down to second and it was **VOTED** to recommend the budget for the Town Treasurer in the amount of \$117,325.80.

Roll Call Vote:

Chairman Hull, aye.

Selectman Pacheco, aye.

#146 Tax Collector

Selectman Pacheco motioned, Chairman Hull stepped down to second and it was **VOTED** to recommend budget #146 Tax Collector in the amount of \$103,325.80.

Roll Call Vote:

Chairman Hull, aye

Selectman Pacheco, aye.

#141 Assessor

Selectman Pacheco motioned, Chairman Hull stepped down to second and it was **VOTED** to recommend budget #141 Assessor in the amount of \$218,661.92.

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Roll Call Vote:

Chairman Hull, aye.

Selectman Pacheco, aye.

#161 Town Clerk

Town Administrator said salary comps were provided for Treasurer/Collectors. It was difficult to ascertain the number of years of service for each, but what was apparent was that the average salary for Town Clerks was \$71,000.00 and the average salary for the Town Treasurer/Collectors was in the low 80's.

Selectman Pacheco motioned, Chairman Hull stepped down to second and it was **VOTED** to recommend budget #161 Town Clerk in the amount of \$150,954.20.

Roll Call Vote:

Chairman Hull, aye

Selectman Pacheco, aye.

There was discussion of an increase in stipends for boards and committee members.

#210 Police Department

Selectman Pacheco motioned, Chairman Hull stepped down to second and it was **VOTED** to recommend budget #210 Police Department in the amount of \$1,905,076.03.

Roll Call Vote:

Chairman Hull, aye.

Selectman Pacheco, aye.

#543 Veteran's Services

Selectman Pacheco motioned, Chairman Hull stepped down to second and it was **VOTED** to reconsider budget #543 Veteran's Services in the amount of \$118,607.00.

Roll Call Vote:

Chairman Hull, aye.

Selectman Pacheco, aye.

Selectman Pacheco motioned, Chairman Hull stepped down to second and it was **VOTED** to recommend budget #543 in the amount of \$118,607.00.

Roll Call Vote:

Chairman Hull, aye.

Selectman Pacheco, aye.

#920 Tuition

Selectman Pacheco motioned. Chairman Hull stepped down to second and it was **VOTED** to reconsider budget #920 Tuition.

Roll Call Vote:

Chairman Hull, aye.

Selectman Pacheco, aye.

Selectman Pacheco motioned, Chairman Hull stepped down to second and it was **VOTED** to recommend budget #920- Tuition in the amount of \$10,000.00.

Roll Call Vote:

Chairman Hull, aye.

Selectman Pacheco, aye.

#132 Reserve Fund

Selectman Pacheco motioned, Chairman Hull stepped down to second and it was **VOTED** to Increase budget #132 Reserve Fund and recommend in the amount of \$55,000.00.

Roll Call Vote:

Chairman Hull, aye.

Selectman Pacheco, aye.

#176 Board of Appeals

Selectman Pacheco motioned, Chairman Hull stepped down to second and it was **VOTED** to reconsider budget #176 Board of Appeals.

Roll Call Vote:

Chairman Hull, aye.

Selectman Pacheco, aye.

Selectman Pacheco motioned, Chairman Hull stepped down to second and it was **VOTED** to recommend a change to budget #176 Board of Appeals and recommend in the amount of \$40,972.40.

Roll Call Vote:

Chairman Hull, aye.

Selectman Pacheco, aye.

#549 Commission on Disability

Selectman Pacheco motioned, Chairman Hull stepped down to second and it was **VOTED** to reconsider budget #549 Commission on Disability.

Roll Call Vote:

Chairman Hull, aye.

Selectman Pacheco, aye.

Selectman Pacheco motioned, Chairman Hull stepped down to second and it was **VOTED** to make a change to their recommendation to budget # 549 Commission on Disability and recommend budget #549 in the amount of \$5,000.00.

Roll Call Vote:

Chairman Hull, aye.

Selectman Pacheco, aye.

Article 3

Selectman Pacheco motioned, Chairman Hull stepped down to second and it was **VOTED** to reconsider Article #3.

Roll Call Vote:

Chairman Hull, aye.

Selectman Pacheco, aye.

Selectman Pacheco motioned, Chairman Hull stepped down to second and it was **VOTED** to recommend raise and appropriate \$6,914.15 for Article 3 to pay prior year bills.

Roll Call Vote:

Chairman Hull, aye.

Selectman Pacheco, aye.

There was discussion of the Budget Overview portion of the Budget Master.

Public Input

None.

Approve and Sign Annual Town Meeting Warrant

Selectman Pacheco motioned, Chairman Hull stepped down to second and it was **VOTED** to approve and sign the Annual Town Meeting Warrant.

Roll Call Vote:

Chairman Hull, aye.

Selectman Pacheco, aye.

Selectman Pacheco motioned, Chairman Hull stepped down to second and it was **VOTED** to adjourn at 8:34 p.m.

Roll Call Vote:

Chairman Hull, aye.

Selectman Pacheco, aye.

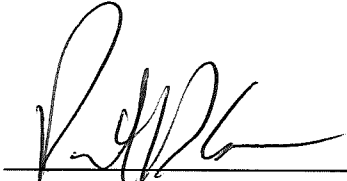
Respectfully submitted,

Karin L. Brady
Executive Assistant

Board of Selectmen



Leonard E. Hull, Chairman



Peter D. Caron, Clerk



Kenneth J. Pacheco, Member

Documents Reviewed:
FY23 Budget Master