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Advisory Committee MEETING MINUTES Thursday, June 29, 2017 WPA Building North Scituate, MA 7:00 pm

Committee Members Present: Jamie Gilmore, Lincoln Heineman, Anthony Antoniello, Jerry Kelly, Patrice Metro

Committee Members Absent: Geoff Burns, Michael Westort, Mark Sandham, Sean deLacy

Also in Attendance: Nancy Holt (Finance Director), Maura Curran (B.O.S.), Andrea Hunt, Patricia Lambert

The Meeting was called to order at by 7:05pm by Jamie Gilmore.

Agenda for Thursday June 29, 2017 approved by Lincoln Heineman second by Anthony Antoniello (5-0)

Meeting Minutes for Wednesday April 26, 2017 with one spelling correction accepted by Jamie Gilmore second by Lincoln Heineman (5-0)

Review and approval vote on transfers

FY 2017 MGL Chapter 44 s33B & Line Item Transfers

Move \$32,00 from Fuels and Lubricants to Fire Department Overtime to fund the final week of overtime for the Fire Department. Anthony asked how many staff on Fire Dept. Nancy said she thought 53. *Motion to accept \$32,000 transfer by Jerry Kelly second by Lincoln Heineman Unanimous vote (5-0).*

Move \$6,675 from Street Lights to Contributory Health Insurance to fund PEC Mitigation agreement. Move \$50,000 from Reserve Fund to OPEB Liability to further fund OPEB liability. Town has funded \$769,390 towards the \$65M liability. A new actuariel evaluation as of 6/30/17 will be performed in FY18. Standard & Poor's specifically cited the OPEB liability in its February 2017 rating analysis of the Town stating the following, "Although we recognize that management is attempting to mitigate the risks associated with the large pension and OPEB obligation, we believe that without a more comprehensive plan in place, the unfunded liabilities will remain a challenge." Jerry Kelly would like to see a more comprehensive plan going forward with the retirement company. Jamie agrees with Jerry that there needs to be a more concrete approach. *Motion to accept \$56,675 transfer by Lincoln Heineman second by Jerry Kelly Unanimous vote (5-0)*

Review and discussion on land issue regarding the Public Safety Complex

Jamie has done research on the deed of the land. Maura Curran was present to update on the status

of the land. Maura said that she took part of the meeting with the AG's office. The issue is a debate over article 97 whether the transfer of the land was legitimate. It will be a very costly debate. Neither party is interested in spending that kind of money in litigation. A letter had been sent out to the Town before it went to the Board of Selectman, which was discussed with the AG's office. A land survey is being done now which will outweigh an arial survey done in the past. A similar use piece of land will go back into Conservation based on the land survey. There has been two different opinions from two different lawyers with municipal law experience. Both have looked at the transfers of land from way back and said that the Town was not in violation. Maura said that the Boards have moved forward under the legal guidance that the Public Safety Complex would be built. Jamie referred to an email sent out from the Town. He went to the Town Assessor's office. The Town Assessor's office only has one deed with the entire acreage (parcel 1 and parcel 2) signed on June 12, 1969. All other transfers were never documented or deeded. Maura said that there are telegrams with each transfer. Jamie said nothing legally has been changed with the deed. Maura said it's noted and she will bring it up. Jamie is not faulting any specific person but it has been a snow ball effect over the years. He hopes that 6 acres will go into Conservation Restriction. Anthony asked who proposed that land be used for a Safety Complex. Maura said it went through all of the proper channels with Town Boards, lawyers, Town Meeting, etc. Jamie just thinks it's unfortunate that the transfers hasn't been properly documented. It will require a School Committee vote. Andrea Hunt has been to a School Committee meeting and asked when it would be voted. They said they want to sit down with the T.A. and the Board of Selectman. The Board of Selectman said it will require a School Committee vote. Andrea and Patricia went back and the School Committee is still requesting to sit down with the others. 14 acres needs to be released from School Committee by a vote to Conservation. It was voted at Town Meeting but it was non-binding because it requires the School Committee vote. Maura said it's addressed in a letter from the A.G. Patricia explained article 97 and the Conservation changes that were made years ago. Patricia and Andrea wanted to express that they are not opposed to the PSC but are focused on the remaining land.

Discussion and election of next years officers on the committee.

This was tabled until the next meeting in hopes that more committee members would be present.

New Business Miscellaneous

There being no other business to discuss Jamie Gilmore adjourned at 7:51pm second by Jerry Kelly (unanimous vote 5-0)

Respectfully Submitted, Kelli Rodgers Recording Secretary