

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
Budget/Management Committee
February 1, 2016, Monday

Present: Patrick O'Connor, Vice Chairman
Jane Hackett, Councilor
Rebecca Haugh, Councilor

Also Present: Ted Langill, Interim Chief of Staff
Joseph Callanan, Interim Town Solicitor
Richard Swanson, Town Auditor
Nick Bulens

Absent: Michael Molisse, Chairman
Brian McDonald, Councilor

Recording Secretary: Mary Barker

Vice Chairman O'Connor called the meeting to order at 7:17 PM.

16 003- Appointment of Chief of Staff-Ted Langill

Ted Langill was invited to the table and he reviewed his background for the committee.

A motion was made by Councilor Hackett to forward item 16 003 to the full Town Council with a recommendation for favorable action and was seconded by Councilor Haugh. UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

16 004-Appointment of Town Solicitor-Joseph Callanan

Atty. Joseph Callanan was invited to the table and he reviewed his background for the committee.

A Motion was made by Councilor Hackett to forward item 16 004 to the full Town Council with a recommendation for favorable action and was seconded by Councilor Haugh. UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

16 005-General Reserve Fund Appropriation for Veterans' Benefits

Veterans' Agent George Pontes requested a transfer of \$75,000 to meet the increase in the number of veterans who require services. Expenditures are 75% reimbursed by the Commonwealth. Auditor Swanson reported that he reviewed the account in MUNIS and confirmed the current run rate indicates the account does not have enough to support the estimated services to be provided this year.

A Motion was made by Councilor Hackett to forward item 16 005 to the full Town Council with a recommendation for favorable action and was seconded by Councilor Haugh. UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

16 006-Police Department Line Item Transfer

Chief Richard Grimes presented the request with Capt. Joseph Comperchio to transfer \$450,000 from salary to overtime accounts to cover an anticipated shortfall. Auditor Swanson reported that he reviewed MUNIS and determined the transfer is necessary.

A Motion was made by Councilor Hackett to forward item 16 006 to the full Town Council with a recommendation for favorable action and was seconded by Councilor Haugh. UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

ADJOURNMENT

At 7:32, there being no further business, a Motion was made by Councilor Hackett to adjourn the meeting and was seconded by Councilor Haugh. UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

Respectfully submitted by Mary Barker as Recording Secretary

Approved by Michael Molisse as Budget/Management Chairman
VOTED UNANIMOUSLY ON 7 MARCH 2016