

**TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES
BUDGET/MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
Via Zoom # 813 4969 4707
June 7, 2021, Monday**

Present: Michael Molisse, Chairman
Jane Hackett, Vice Chairman
Pascale Burga, Councilor
Christopher Heffernan, Councilor
Maureen Kiely, Councilor

Also Present: Ted Langill, Chief of Staff
Joseph Callanan, Town Solicitor
Richard Swanson, Town Auditor
Kathy Deree, Town Clerk
Robert Luongo, Planning Director
Eric Schneider, Principal Planner
George Raymond, Chair, Weymouth 400 Committee

Recording Secretary: Mary Barker

Chair Molisse called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Town Clerk Deree called the roll – with one member absent. Councilor Vice Chair Hackett’s connection was unstable.

21 085- Free Cash for Weymouth 400 Events

This measure was referred to the Budget/Management Committee on May 17, 2021. George Raymond presented the request for match grant funding. He met with Representative Murphy and Senator O’Connor. Events start this Friday. In order to obtain the initial \$100K from the state for the first year, (and following again in the 2nd), the town must match state funding.

Auditor Swanson verified the free cash balance in MUNIS is sufficient to cover this measure.

Councilor Burga asked what the funds might be spent on if the measure is passed. Mr. Raymond responded that it will be used to fund several events, from the food trucks, (which will also raise funds) and other events, with a focus on the “Experience the Villages” theme. Events and programs are planned which emphasize the historical and cultural significance of each of the four town villages.

A motion was made by Councilor Heffernan to forward measure 21 085 to the full Town Council with a recommendation for favorable action and was seconded by Councilor Burga. A roll call vote was taken: Councilor Burga- Yes, Councilor Heffernan-Yes, Councilor Kiely- Yes, Chair Molisse- Yes. UNANIMOUSLY VOTED, 4-0.

21 086- Engineering for Launch Ramp Dredging

This measure was referred to the Budget/Management Committee on May 17, 2021. Bob Luongo presented the request for funds to cover the engineering and permitting.

Information they gleaned from records indicates the last time this basin area was dredged was in 1998. The late Harbormaster Paul Milone had tried to move it along. Funds are available from the state for dredging, but not for the engineering. The town would engage the services of Coastal Engineering for permitting and design work. It's a year's worth of work for the design and permitting, and must go through several agencies. Once they have a design, they will apply to the state to do the actual dredging work.

Auditor Swanson verified the balance in MUNIS is sufficient.

Chair Molisse asked if the work will be completed in the off-season if it is approved?

Director Luongo responded that there are no time constraints on design and engineering work. It is a year away from dredging work.

A motion was made by Councilor Heffernan to forward measure 21 086 to the full Town Council with a recommendation for favorable action and was seconded by Councilor Burga. A roll call vote was taken: Councilor Burga- Yes, Councilor Heffernan-Yes, Councilor Kiely- Yes, Vice Chair Hackett- Yes, Chair Molisse- Yes. UNANIMOUSLY VOTED, 4-0.

21 088- Appointment to Board of Library Trustees- Lisa Kimball

This measure was referred to the Budget/Management Committee on May 17, 2021. Dr. Kimball provided a summary of her qualifications and why she is interested in the appointment.

A motion was made by Councilor Heffernan to forward measure 21 086 to the full Town Council with a recommendation for favorable action and was seconded by Councilor Kiely. A roll call vote was taken: Councilor Burga- Yes, Councilor Heffernan-Yes, Councilor Kiely- Yes, Chair Molisse- Yes. UNANIMOUSLY VOTED, 4-0.

21 089- Appointment to Board of Registrars- Alexander Milne

This measure was referred to the Budget/Management Committee on May 17, 2021. Mr. Milne summarized his qualifications and interest in the appointment.

A motion was made by Councilor Heffernan to forward measure 21 089 to the full Town Council with a recommendation for favorable action and was seconded by Councilor Kiely. A roll call vote was taken: Councilor Burga- Yes, Councilor Heffernan-Yes, Councilor Kiely- Yes, Chair Molisse- Yes. UNANIMOUSLY VOTED, 4-0.

ADJOURNMENT

At 7:12 PM, there being no further business, a motion was made by Councilor Heffernan to adjourn and was seconded by Councilor Kiely. A roll call vote was taken: Councilor

Burga- Yes, Councilor Heffernan-Yes, Councilor Kiely- Yes, Vice Chair Hackett- Yes, Chair Molisse- Yes. UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

Attachment: FY 19 Audit Report

Respectfully Submitted by Mary Barker as Recording Secretary

Approved by Michael Molisse as Budget/Management Committee Chairman
Voted unanimously on 28 June 2021