

Town of Brookline Advisory Committee Minutes

Sean Lynn-Jones, Chair

Date: May 26, 2016

Present: Carla Benka, Clifford M. Brown, Carol Caro, Lea Cohen, John Doggett Dennis Doughty, Harry K. Friedman, Janet Gelbart, David-Marc Goldstein, Neil Gordon, Amy F. Hummel, Sytske Humphrey, Angela Hyatt, Janice S. Kahn, Fred Levitan, Robert Liao, Pamela Lodish, Sean M. Lynn-Jones, Shaari S. Mittel, Michael Sandman, Lee Selwyn, Stanley Spiegel, Charles Swartz , Christine Westphal.

Absent: * Jennifer Goldsmith, Bobbie Knable, Alisa Jonas, Steve Kanes, Mariah Nobrega,

Also Attending: Andrew M. Pappastergeon, Commissioner of Public Works

The meeting was called to order at 6 PM.

1. RESERVE FUND TRANSFER REQUEST IN THE AMOUNT OF \$593,888 FOR SNOW AND ICE CONTROL DURING THE WINTER OF 2015-2016

Carla Benka gave an overview of the Capital Subcommittee’s hearing regarding the RFT and the subcommittee voted unanimously in favor of the Reserve Fund Transfer.

Snow and Ice Control Deficits spreadsheet was a quick attempt to put some metrics into snow and ice control as to cost per inch. There are a few computing errors and the Commissioner will update this and get a revised copy to the Advisory Committee.

Q: The variance between costs per inch in difference years – what is the cause for this?

A: Capital equipment purchases in that given year need to be added to the budget column. Need to add a column for capital costs so this will show in the future.

Q: Does it vary if the storms are on weekends?

A: No, includes overtime costs. We don’t budget for straight time costs.

A MOTION was made and seconded to vote to approve the \$593,888 Reserve Fund Transfer for snow and ice control during the winter of 2015-2016.

Vote: With a vote of 20 in favor, none opposed with 1 abstention, the Advisory Committee approves the Reserve Fund Transfer of \$593,888.

Upon a MOTION made and seconded and voted unanimously, the meeting adjourned at 6:15pm.

Documents Presented at Advisory Committee Meeting:

- Reserve Fund Transfers FY 1995-2015

- DPW Request for Reserve Fund Transfer (Itemization)
- FY 2016 Snow and Ice Reserve Fund Transfers Questions
- May 19 Memo from DPW re: Reserve Fund Transfer Request to Board of Selectmen
- DPW Snow and Ice Control Deficits FY1996-2016