

03/10/21 7:00| Carl Brunetti

Carl Brunetti, BobTurner, Dave Hartley, Mike Babbitt, Mike O'Connell, Rhonda Lacombe, BillDiBiasio, Maryanne Bessette, Donna Sullivan, Mark Enander, **Andrew Esposito**

Also in attendance: LeslieAlexander, Francine Jackson, Stephanie, Natalie and Emily and Bill McManus,Brian Sullivan and John Marsland

*if marked **red** this denotes absent

Motion to approve the minutes of 3/03/2021 by Bill DiBiasio and second by Mark Enander 9 approval and one abstain

Motion to approve the minutes of 3/04/2021 by Bill DiBiasio and second by Mark Enander unanimous

Correspondence:

Proposed agenda for School Tour ok with the Superintendent as presented

Responses from questions from SD 3/3/21

Email from BB to Town Council sent out Thursday evening response from Russo and Macksoud

Email from Superintendent FD School Manager and TA response received

SD for a copy of efforts worksheet and he sent back unhidden

Copy of SD Finance Report

TA date for meeting 3/18/2021 along with the Covid money for all years.

Conservation Commission coming tonight

Deputy Town Clerk to move the meeting to the 3/25/2021

Correspondence from Carl re: Monday night SC meeting it was over an hour sent highlights

Conservation Commission Doing much better and they now have 7 people on this commission, power point presentation which was emailed to each member.

What is the limiting factor for doing additional work? Is it just finding people or money? Stephanie went to the town hall and asked who or what they could do to get more of a vision together? Now that the snow is melting we can really see the trash. Earth day is coming up and we do still have money to do projects and we have 5 cleanups that will be going on. Butterfly was not even touched last year? We are also looking for areas that we would not need police presence. Bob T the presentation was well done and we should consider assisting by moving the \$2,000.00 in 4400 Open Space Maintenance which has \$0 expended vs budget since inception to 4920 Conservation Commission Expense line 2021-2022 for a revised total of \$4350. An Application has been made to the Narragansett bay commission for a grant for Laporte pond area.

Francine wanted to address the other request. Hoping that the power point be moved into the conservation commission area of the Town Website with approval by the Town Administrator for the IT department to add to the site. It will be an interactive site.

Blackstone Watershed Council John Marsland 7100.00 grant there is a series of marked trails and a canoe trip from Manville and down the river this is a stress relief for many people. This is on Sycamore Landing want to add plants and etc. on the site and we assist major cleanups in all areas of the Town. Drive in will be the next lot of trash from the homeless, 17K grant from the DEM for a trails grant the canal needs to be cleaned we are hoping and will find out in the next couple of weeks. Trying to organize cleanup watershed council currently has a 2K grant. Town Property and we would love to have a tour for anyone.

Public Comment: None

Regular Business:

FY 20 Budget nothing

FY21 Education Budget: Currently there is a 249K deficit substitute teachers and overtime maintenance and can be taken from the COVID reimbursement.

Q Donna S. projection of a deficit can this be considered to be all that we have to consider as a Covid expense

FY22 Municipal Budget Town Administrator will be in next Thursday with answers to questions and also the Stimulus money.

Will we have any time with the School Department we will make a date when we finish next week with the Town Administrator.

The Meeting with the Town Administrator will be in the Town Council chambers

Agenda for the town Tour will be 3/20/2021. Town Hall and Hearthside will be the list

FY22 Education Budget Transportation bid, 24 busses less enrollment in the elementary schools we moved this last year 24 down to 20.

Bill vote was to approve the vendor 1st Student and we are going to negotiate the bus number and routes, they have not done the evaluation at this time for efficiency.

Mike O, there is room for the efficiency and this should be looked at.

Difference in the School Departments and the towns for

Motion to use the School Committee numbers for the Revenues by Bob Turner and second by Donna Sullivan unanimous

More Questions to the School Department from Carl and Donna and Mike O.

Carl will ask for the UCOA object to code cross reference aka key sheet.

Responses from the TC Russo, only cited one line of the Charter C4-4, Procedure for Budget Board rather than including C4-2 thru c4-7 in entirety, thereby diminishing the BB scope of work. TC President said that the letter for the Budget Board to be heard is on the Tuesday agenda for the council to decide on its disposition. Carl will follow-up with the additional information that Bob Turner has provided which is a full explanation for the other Council members to hear.

[Public Comment: None](#)

Adjourn

Motion to adjourn Dave Hartley Seconded by Mark Enander at 9:15 pm

Next Meeting date:

3/11/2021

3/13/2021 School Tour