

Boylston Finance Committee Meeting

10-5-2023

Present: Howard, Eric, Dave, Karen, Stephanie, Greg

Absent: None

Eric called meeting to order at 7:05PM

- Motion to elect Howard as Chair, Steph as Vice Chair, Greg as Secretary made by Dave, 2nd Steph. Motion unanimous.
- Howard serving on \$75k feasibility study to convert Goth House to Senior Center. Structurally in good shape, needs ADA compliance and build out.
- Howard will serve as FinCom rep on Fiscal Feasibility review board.
- Steph will serve as FinCom rep on Master Plan committee.
- Eric will serve as Fin Comm rep for Police
- Howard will organize FinCom meetings and post notices.
- Greg will be liaison from FinCom to Fire and Highway.
Need to keep tabs on delivery date of new fire truck. \$300k in budget for down payment.
- Discussion on School Committee/Building improvements. Would prefer to see a Building improvement subcommittee however not up to us.
Karen to serve as FinCom rep to school committee.
Noted that out of district tuition has been raised to \$26,355.
- Discussion regarding SRO at the schools. Eric noted that if approved then by law the PD provides officer and bills school hourly rate for the service. Was discussed that decision on SRO should come from School/BOS, not FinCom. Eric to stay on this topic and serve as FinCom rep to PD.
- Mosquito Control is level budget. Not a line item on town budget, comes out of “cherry sheet expenses”.
- Noted that HR role in town is still vacant. Dave is working with April to review salary study and determine where pay adjustments are needed as well reviewing what positions may require adjustments to hours.
Dave to work with “new” HR on the salary study review.
- Dave working with Cheri Cox to review payroll software. Dave is familiar with the Software.
- FinCom budget for the year is \$400 with \$100k reserve fund.
- Greg will circulate minutes then request approval at next meeting. Once approved forward to Dawn.
- Motion to adjourn meeting at 8:10PM made by Karen, 2nd Dave. Motion unanimous.