

Town of East Bridgewater Finance Committee

175 Central Street

East Bridgewater, MA 02333

Town Hall, 2nd floor Conference Room



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**Finance Committee Meeting Minutes
January 30, 2018**

Members present: Chris Kelley, Emily Pina, Tim Armand, Laura Sebastyn, Crystal Hudson

Member(s) absent: Michele Ahern, John Ward

Selectman Liaison: John Margie

Guest(s): John Haines, Brian Kiely, Jason Trepanier

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1. Meeting called to order at 7:05 pm by Chris Kelley
 2. FY 19 Budget Presentation – Public Works Department
 - a. John Haines went through the line item budgets for the various departments within the Department of Public Works.
 - b. The DPW budget submitted was a 1.41% budget increase.
 - c. John stated that most of the departments financial needs are in capital, not in operating.
 - d. One staff position was moved from Facilities to Highway/Grounds department. As a result, there is a corresponding increase/decrease in those two budgets.
 - e. The DPW will be rolling out a new trash service starting July 1st. The hope is that this new plan will help make the program self-sustaining.
 - f. Jason reviewed a potential major capital project that will be coming before the town in the near future. The water tank on Highland Street was built in 1964 and was estimated to have a fifty-year life. It needs to be painted, however the estimated cost to paint the tank will be approximately \$2.5 million due to the asbestos in the existing paint. The cost of a new tank would be approximately \$5 million dollars. The department is continuing to look at both options and will come to the town with their recommendations.
 3. Approved Meeting Minutes of Prior Meetings
 - a. January 16, 2018 (revision needed)
Motion: To accept the Minutes of January 16, 2018 as amended
M/S Armand/Hudson Unanimous
 - b. December 19, 2017
Motion: To accept the Minutes of December 19, 2017
M/S Armand/Hudson Unanimous
 4. Next Finance Committee Meeting

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- a. The next meeting of the Finance Committee will be on February 5, 2018 at 6:00 pm.
- 5. Meeting Adjournment
 - Motion: To adjourn the meeting at 9:05 pm*
 - M/S Sebastyn/Hudson Unanimous*

Laura Sebastyn, Clerk