

**BILLERICA FINANCE COMMITTEE MINUTES**  
**June 04, 2020**

A Meeting of the Billerica Finance Committee was held on Thursday June 04, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. via Zoom Video Conferencing Communication App.

Present: David Gagliardi, Chairman; Douglas Meagher, Vice Chairman; Mary McBride, Secretary; Donald Damon, Member; Patrick Logue, Member; Rino Moriconi, Member; Douglas Fogerty, Member; Philip Newfell, Member; Cheri Gargalianos, Member; John Kleschinsky, 1<sup>st</sup> Associate; Kelley Sardina, 2<sup>nd</sup> Associate; Town Accountant Paul Watson, Ex-Officio; and Joyce MacMillan, Recording Clerk

Absent: John Mulloy, Member and Anthony Ventresca, Member

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Chairman David Gagliardi called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Marlies Henderson, CPC Member – asking about how to go about splitting an article at Town Meeting.

Laurie Hartwick, Co-President Shawsheen River Watershed Assoc. – Giving her support for Sheridan Street project. It would give the people more access to the river for kayaking/paddling and clean up.

**WARRANT ARTICLES:**

Participants: Rich Scanlon, Chief Assessor, Katie Mahoney, CPC Coordinator, Isabel Tourkantonis, Director of Environmental Affairs

**Article 30 and 31 CPC Recommendations– Rich Scanlon and Katie Mahoney**

Handouts were emailed to the committee with their packet for each article.

Article 30- Library, Katie Durand Memorial Park, Sheridan St River Access

Rich Scanlon stated that they were here to present and update the Finance Committee on Article 30 and 31 and asked Katie to present a PowerPoint Presentation for the committee.

Katie Mahoney went through an overall PowerPoint Presentation of the projects in Article 30. Katie went over the key points for the Library project, the Katie Durand Memorial Park and the Sheridan Street River Access. The other parts to the article were the Administrative Funds and the Revenues and Requirements.

Chairman Gagliardi opened the floor to the committee for questions or concerns. There were only a few questions and a couple of concerns. How many parking spaces would there be at Sheridan Street? Isabel Tourkantonis stated the space is small and would only allow for a few spaces, maybe 3 or 4. Is the money being borrowed or are the funds

available through via the CPC funds? No borrowing, funding is through the CPC. The Library amount changed in the final warrant, is that legal to do so? Scrivener's error in Preliminary Warrant. Legal as long as the amount is correct in the Final Warrant. The committee also requested a copy of Katie's presentation. Katie sent it a copy to be disbursed to the committee. Are there any past projects that have yet to use their funding? Clara Sexton House has not used any of their funding yet due to an issue with the State Preservation Restriction Process they have to go through. The CPC did grant them an extension and they are buttoning that up now. The committee would also like to see a tally sheet of the projects and where they stand.

Doug Meagher, seconded by Mary McBride made a motion to recommend Article 30 in the amount of \$259,303.10.

A roll call vote was taken  
It was voted 9-0-1:

John Kleschinsky - Aye  
Cheri Gargalianos – Aye  
Doug Meagher – Aye  
Don Damon – Aye  
Patrick Logue – Aye  
Phil Newfell - Aye  
Mary McBride – Aye  
Doug Fogerty – Abstain  
Kelley Sardina - Aye  
Dave Gagliardi – Aye

#### Article 31- Thomas Talbot Masonic Lodge

Rich Scanlon went over a bit of the article and that recently the Selectmen had a meeting on this. There was a second appraisal and that was forwarded to the Finance Committee. The Structural Engineering Report has yet to be completed, should be completed by Monday June 8, 2020. It needs to be reviewed and should be ready by June 10, 2020. The Board of Selectmen has scheduled another meeting for June 11, 2020 and the CPC should have an answer on this by then from the Selectmen.

This will have to come back to the Finance Committee once the Selectmen have made a decision. The Finance Committee Chairman will add this as a recommendation reserve in the book to be read at Town Meeting. Finance Committee will schedule a meeting for after the Board of Selectmen's June 11 meeting, and it will be on June 18 at 6:30 PM.

#### **REVIEW OF MINUTES:** **May 21, 2020 Minutes**

Doug Meagher, seconded by Don Damon made a motion to approve the May 21, 2020 minutes.

A roll call vote was taken

It was voted 11-0:

John Kleschinsky - Aye  
Cheri Gargalianos – Aye  
Doug Meagher – Aye  
Don Damon – Aye  
Patrick Logue – Aye  
Phil Newfell - Aye  
Mary McBride – Aye  
Doug Fogerty – Aye  
Rino Moriconi – Aye  
Kelley Sardina - Aye  
Dave Gagliardi – Aye

**MISCELLANEOUS CORRESPONDENCE – not subject to discussion**

Next Meeting date possibly June 18, 2020

Doug Meagher asked the Chairman to please look into whether or not he could speak as a member of the Finance Committee on Article 31 before the next meeting.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Doug Meagher, seconded by Don Damon made a motion to adjourn.

A roll call vote was taken

It was voted 11-0:

John Kleschinsky - Aye  
Cheri Gargalianos – Aye  
Doug Meagher – Aye  
Don Damon – Aye  
Patrick Logue – Aye  
Phil Newfell - Aye  
Mary McBride – Aye  
Doug Fogerty – Aye  
Rino Moriconi – Aye  
Kelley Sardina - Aye  
Dave Gagliardi – Aye

Chairman David Gagliardi adjourned the meeting at 7:10 pm.

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Joyce MacMillan, Recording Clerk