

## Finance Committee Meeting

October 26, 2016 7:30 PM EST  
Veterans Memorial Building, Room 229  
900 Main Street  
Millis, MA 02054

### In Attendance:

Peter Jurmain, Chairman  
Susan Vecchi, Vice Chairman  
Craig Schultze, Clerk  
Tayana Antin  
Peter Berube  
Jerry Nunnaley  
Doug Riley  
Suzanne Kennedy, Town Administrator

Peter Jurmain called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM

### Free Cash Update:

Suzanne Kennedy: The Department of Revenue is working to certify Free Cash. The department has had a lot of turnover due to several retirements.

### Warrant Article Review/ Recommendations/Funding:

Susan Vecchi made a motion to reconsider Article #10, CPC – Etchings Restoration; Jerry Nunnaley seconded. Vote: 7/0 motion carries unanimously.

Susan Vecchi made a motion to recommend approval of Article #10, CPC – Etchings Restoration, in the amount of \$11,027.00 from CPC funds; Tayana Antin seconded. Vote: 7/0 motion carries unanimously.

Susan Vecchi made a motion to reconsider Article #18, Repurchase Cemetery Lots; Tayana Antin seconded. Vote: 7/0 motion carries unanimously.

Susan Vecchi made a motion to recommend approval of Article #18, Repurchase Cemetery Lots, in the amount of \$650.00 funded by Cemetery Funds; Jerry Nunnaley seconded. Vote: 7/0 motion carries unanimously.

Susan Vecchi made a motion to recommend approval of Article #2, SEIU Contract Settlement, in the amount of \$49,227.76; Jerry Nunnaley seconded. Vote: 7/0 motion carries unanimously.

### Article #11 Area BIII & Area F Sewer Project:

Suzanne Kennedy and the Board of Selectmen are in favor of increasing this article by \$10,000.00. The article states “to authorize the Board of Selectmen to apply for any grants or loans in connection therewith”. An engineer can write a grant application seeking an interest fee loan for this project. The engineer’s fee is \$10,000.00.

#### Article #17 Replenish Stabilization Fund:

The Stabilization Fund balance is short approximately \$140,000.00 from its goal of 5% of the town's Operating Budget. The committee would like to add at least \$100,000.00 at Town Meeting if Free Cash does indeed get certified for \$1,097,500.00.

Until Free Cash is certified the committee can vote to fund articles with \$155,104.35 in additional Growth/Taxation.

Susan Vecchi made a motion to recommend approval of Article #13, DPW – 1 Ton Dump Truck, in the amount of \$40,100.53 from Taxation; Craig Schultze. Vote: 7/0 motion carries unanimously.

Susan Vecchi made a motion to recommend approval of Article #16, School MS/HS Intercom Upgrade, in the amount of \$12,000.00 from Taxation; Peter Berube seconded. Vote: 7/0 motion carries unanimously.

Susan Vecchi made a motion to recommend approval of Article #19, Petitioned Article – Door Improvements at VMB, in the amount of \$10,590.50 from Taxation; Jerry Nunnaley seconded. Vote: 6/0 (1) abstained motion carries.

Craig Schultze made a motion to reconsider Article #2, SEIU Contract Settlement; Susan Vecchi seconded. Vote: 7/0 motion carries unanimously.

Craig Schultze made a motion to fund Article #2, SEIU Contract Settlement, in the amount of \$49,227.76 from Taxation; Susan Vecchi seconded. Vote: 7/0 motion carries unanimously.

#### Article #5 Land Swap:

A handout will be provided at Town Meeting.

#### Article #11 Area BIII & Area F Sewer Project:

In anticipation of amendments to this article at Town Meeting, Peter Jurmain requested a separate handout for this article to include the written article, maps/parcels and costs. The committee encouraged anyone planning to make an amendment to this article at Town Meeting to please have it written down beforehand.

#### Old Business/New Business:

Peter Jurmain encouraged residents to attend next week's Pre-Town Meeting.

#### Minutes Approval:

Susan Vecchi made a motion to recommend approval of the October 19, 2016 Meeting Minutes as written; Jerry Nunnaley seconded. Vote: 6/0 motion carries.

#### Upcoming Meetings:

November 2, 2016 VMB Room 229 7:30 PM

November 7, 2016 Middle/High School Room #102 6:30 PM

Town Meeting: Monday November 7, 2016 7:30 PM

Adjourn:

Susan Vecchi made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:05 PM; Jerry Nunnaley seconded. Vote 7/0 motion carries unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,  
Deirdre Gilmore