

Meeting began at 7:02 P.M. In attendance were Robert Baker, David Honneus, Roberta Wooldridge and Susi Westwood.

Judy Cole did not attend as it was her birthday. Happy Birthday, Judy.

Minutes of 10-16-2023 were approved unanimously.

1. All boards meeting was attended by all but Westwood. Seemed to go well. Will be another in the spring.

2. A discussion of the time of day of our meetings was held. All present could meet during the day. Bob will check with Judy to see if daytime meetings would work for her.

3. It is allowable to have members of the Selectboard be members of the finance committee, and non voting members of committees whose budgets are less than 10 percent of the town budget. Bob will craft a memo to the selectboard and send to us for input. The memo will suggest that an item be put on the warrant for next year's annual town meeting to propose this. He will talk to Judy about this as well.

Susi stated that the cultural council gets all of its money from the state. She will check to see if any of the members would join the finance committee. Bob will talk to anyone he can think of who may be interested.

4. Heath tuned down the proposal from MTRSD regarding how towns are assessed. Our selectboard tabled it since all towns must agree. We need to get numbers from Ruth Osgood, town clerk which she sends to the school of the number of students we have sent to the school over the past 5 years. This is so we can check the foundational assessment. David will talk to Ruth about getting the numbers. Bob has asked Martha for her numbers and will ask again.

5. The marijuana farm hasn't paid it's assessment for the previous year. Bob will verify this with Paula. We need to be apprised when agreements with businesses who agree to pay the town so we can verify if they are paid.

6. We will be passing out budget forms for the next fiscal year by January 1. Bob will send the form to us for possible changes. David suggested we ask for five year projections. Windsor is doing this.

7. MLP will be getting money from State to help pay down debt. \$430,000 over several years. Debt is \$1,098,130. Amelia, treasurer and Paula town accountant don't know what to do with money. They will check with other towns.

8. Where should our focus be for the year? David feels we need new revenue sources, Roberta feels we need to figure out formula for the school assessment. The school needs to have a five year budget projection.

9. The next meeting will be Monday, Dec. 4 at 5:00 P.M.

Susi moved to adjourn, Bob seconded. Meeting ended at 8:00