

## **Finance Committee**

Meeting Date: May 09, 2022

**Present:** Chairman Dowd, Vice Chairman Conley, Clerk Corbosiero, Grace, Keophannga (remote), Riley, Hansen, Grace, Wiech

- 1. Call to Order: 6:30 PM
- 2. Public Comments None
- 3. Approval of minutes 3/9/22 passed 9-0
- 4. 2022 Capital Budget Round 2 passed 9-0
  - a. Snow and Ice \$229K
  - **b.** Roads and Infrastructure \$510K
  - c. Technology (desktops, computer, and docking stations for staff) \$90K

## 5. FY23 Town Administrator Operating Budget Hearing:

- a. Overview
  - i. \$1M in new growth slightly less than prior year but optimistic this will be higher come the fall ahead of setting the tax rate
  - ii. Local receipts estimated at \$10.5M hotels and cannabis income driving better revenue numbers
  - b. General Government \$11,145,583
    - i. Human resources increased to hire full time benefits administrator
    - ii. IT expenses increased related to software
    - iii. Public property and buildings budget back to pre-pandemic levels
- c. Human Services \$1,038,276
  - i. Council on Aging increase due to re-structure and new addition of staff (new chef etc.)
- d. Culture and Recreation \$1,717,779
- e. Debt and Interest \$6,449,120
  - i. Debt number has decreased by \$200K gets re-allocated elsewhere in the budget
- f. Employee Benefits \$15,023,035
  - i. Retirement and pension increase \$1M primarily due to pension assessment increase; health insurance saw minimal increases
  - ii. Risk Management P&C insurance cost increase excludes Workers Comp.

## 6. Future Agenda Items

- a. Community Preservation Act (CPA)
- b. Norfolk County
- c. Franklin TV
- 7. Adjourn 7:49 p.m.