

TOWN OF MENDON

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MEETING MINUTES

Meeting Date: Tuesday, November 20, 2018 **Time Called to Order:** 7:00 PM Time Adjourned: 10:00 PM Location: Town Hall - Main Meeting Room **Meeting Chair:** Mike Merolli Recorder: Jeanne Davoren Present¹ Remote² Member: Member **Present** Remote Mike Merolli Norm Round \boxtimes Brian Guzman Heather Allcock \boxtimes Mike Ammendolia John Hodgens \boxtimes X Jeanne Davoren Nicholas Ciantra \boxtimes \boxtimes **Approval of Minutes Topic Name** October 1, 2018 Nov 5, 2018 **Summary:** Mike A moved, Brain seconded to approve minutes for Oct 1 and Nov 5. VAU **Decisions Made:** Actions to be Taken: **Related Documents or Exhibits: Fin Com Information Topic Name:** Chairman Merolli announced that BOS member Rich Schofield has resigned and he would like to acknowledge his years of service and thank him for all he Summary: has done for the Town of Mendon **Decisions Made:** Actions to be Taken: **Related Documents or Exhibits:**

¹ If "Present" contains and "x" that person was physically present.

² If "Remote" contains an "x" that person participated remotely according to 940 CMR 29.10(5) a through e as approved by the Meeting Chair.

Topic Name:	STM Nov 27 Warrant Article 18 \$10,000 and Article 19 \$10,000
Summary:	Highway Surveyor Alan Tetreault requests this money for the cutting of over 200 trees that are destroyed along the roads of Mendon. \$10 for the actual cutting of the trees, and \$10K for the police details.
Decisions Made:	Brian moved, seconded by John Article 18 for \$10,000 VA, Nick abstain Brian moved, seconded by John Article 19 for \$10,000 VAU
Actions to be Taken:	
Related Documents or Exhibits:	

Topic Name:	Article 4 Assessors Salary \$3600
Summary:	Assessor Kevin Rudden explains that they want to change the Assessor's stipend and move the money into another line item to get the inspections done contractually temporarily.
Decisions Made:	Will probably pass over this article. Brian moved, seconded by Nick to pass over this article, VAU
Actions to be Taken:	
Related Documents or Exhibits:	

Topic Name:	Article 11 & 12
Summary:	Water Board Kevin Rudden and Dan Byer request \$5000 to bring the well at the Library up to DEP standards, and secondly for funds to operate this well as a public water supply in the amount of \$1610 for monthly testing.
Decisions Made:	Brian moved, seconded by Mike to approve up to \$5,000 from Free Cash,VAU Brian moved, seconded by Mike to approve up to \$1610 from Free Cash,VAU
Actions to be Taken:	
Related Documents or Exhibits:	

Topic Name:	Article 3 Fire Chief's Salary \$55,390
Summary:	Chief Wessler is present.
Decisions Made:	Brian moved, seconded by Nick to approve \$55.390 from Salary negotiations, VAU
Actions to be Taken:	
Related Documents or Exhibits:	

Topic Name:	Article 1
	Bills of a prior year
	\$22768 for BOH owed for trash fee
Summary:	\$45 for Signs for Con Com
-	\$1820 for Unanimous Short-Term Disability
	Brian moved, seconded by Nick to approve from Free Cash, Vote 2 Yes, 1 No,
Decisions Made:	Approved
Actions to be Taken:	
Related Documents or	
Exhibits:	

Topic Name:	Article 2 Snow and Ice \$122,892
Summary:	
Decisions Made:	Brian moved, seconded by John to approve from Free Cash for above. VAU
Actions to be Taken:	
Related Documents or Exhibits:	

Topic Name:	Article 5 Stabilization
Summary:	
Decisions Made:	Brian moved, seconded by Nick to approve \$20,000 from Free Cash, VAU
Actions to be Taken:	
Related Documents or Exhibits:	

Topic Name:	Article 6 Cap Ex
Summary:	
Decisions Made:	Brian moved, seconded by Mike to approve \$20,000 from Free Cash, VAU
Actions to be Taken:	
Related Documents or Exhibits:	

Topic Name:	Article 7 OPEB
Summary:	Insurance for Retirees
Decisions Made:	Brian moved, seconded by John to approve \$5,000 from Free Cash, VAU
Actions to be Taken:	
Related Documents or Exhibits:	

Topic Name:	Article 8 New Trash Contract
Summary:	This \$12,000 request is to resolve the previous Trash Contract.
Decisions Made:	Brian moved, seconded by John to approve \$12,000 from Free Cash, VA Mike A no
Actions to be Taken:	
Related Documents or Exhibits:	

Topic Name:	Article 10
Summary:	Authorization to borrow for Police Station an additional \$880,000
Decisions Made:	Brian moved, seconded by John to approve a recommendation of borrowing up to \$1.4 million, for the approval in order to get the contract signed for this police station to get going. Brian moved, seconded by Mike to approve up to \$1.4million from Free Cash, VAU
Actions to be Taken:	Nick wants it noted he is not in favor of this procedure for making this recommendation to spend cap ex for this project.
Related Documents or Exhibits:	

Topic Name:	Article 13 Legal
Summary:	For litigation settlement
Decisions Made:	Brian moved, seconded by Mike to approve \$200,000 from Free Cash, VAU
Actions to be Taken:	
Related Documents or Exhibits:	

Topic Name:	Article 14 Town Planner Position
Summary:	
Decisions Made:	Brian moved, seconded by John to approve \$20,000 from Reserve for Salary Negotiations. VA Mike A No
Actions to be Taken:	
Related Documents or Exhibits:	

Topic Name:	Article 15 Town Hall Exec Assistant additional hours
Summary:	32 to 38 hours per week for Town Hall Admin Sect to BOS
Decisions Made:	Brian moved, seconded by John to approve \$6500 from Reserve for Salary Negotiations. VAU
Actions to be Taken:	
Related Documents or Exhibits:	

Topic Name:	Article 16 Town Hall Repairs Special Article
Summary:	For Dan Gardner to do repairs to town hall
Decisions Made:	Brian moved, seconded by Nick to approve \$40,000 from Free Cash. VA Mike A does not agree we should do this article this way Nay
Actions to be Taken:	
Related Documents or Exhibits:	

Topic Name:	Article 17 Planning Board Revolving Account
Summary:	
Decisions Made:	Brian moved, not seconded to approve \$1606 from Free Cash. Mike A moves seconded by Nick to pass over this article until we get more info VA, Brian abstains.
Actions to be Taken:	
Related Documents or Exhibits:	

Topic Name:	Article 28 CPC Historic
Summary:	To accept a deed for land on Strawberry Lane.
Decisions Made:	Brian moved, seconded by Mike to recommend Article 28 for \$20,000 VAU
Actions to be Taken:	
Related Documents or Exhibits:	

Topic Name:	Article 29 CPC Historic Building
Summary:	\$2000 from CPA Historical Pres Acct to fund a town wide historical preservation plan
Decisions Made:	Brian moved, seconded by John to recommend Article 29 for \$2,000 VA Mike A Nay
Actions to be Taken:	
Related Documents or Exhibits:	

Topic Name:	Article 30 CPC Historic Building
Summary:	\$2000 from CPA Historical Pres Acct to fund an overhead scanner for digitizing historical documents.
Decisions Made:	Brian moved, seconded by John to recommend Article 30 for \$2,000 VA Mike A Nay
Actions to be Taken:	
Related Documents or Exhibits:	