

RICHMOND FINANCE BOARD

This meeting was held in person on February 13, 2023 at 6:00 PM EST

MINUTES

Call To Order Meeting called to order at 6:00 PM

Roll Call Present: Steve Rego, Guy Rizzo, Thomas Schipritt, Laura Rieger, Helen Drew, Karen Pinch and Laura Kenyon
Absent: none

Election None required. Steve Rego remains as Chair, Laura Rieger, Sec'y

Minutes Minutes from August 3, 2022 meeting reviewed and approved. Motion by Helen Drew, second by Guy Rizzo to approve. All ayes

Correspondence

Public Forum (1) Public Forum moved up due to attendance by Alison Croke. She spoke on behalf of Wood River Health, both for yearly contribution by town and additional request for ARPA funds , but due for yearly review per TC allocation. Requesting increase in yearly contribution.

New Business

- 1) Overview of proposed budget by Laura Kenyon, Finance Director. Most departments saw no significant change. Building, Planning and Zoning increase due to re-organization and increased hours overall. 3% increase for wages, health coverage up 10-15%. Final figures not yet received.
Recreation may request "scholarships" for summer camp which might be offset by recent camp fee increases. Not likely to be substantial difference.
Final figures for Chariho budget not yet in. Possible reductions there. CIP total down due to some ARPA funds being utilized for previous projects.
- 2) Community requests partially reviewed, but not completed. Continued to next meeting.
- 3) Status of ARPA funds reviewed. Not much to discuss, but request more information about Chariho Youth Task Force which was referred back to Finance Board by previous TC. Laura Kenyon to contact them.
- 4) Meeting for Feb, 27, 2023 at 6 pm scheduled

Other Business

Public Forum (2) Additional Public Forum time due to arrival later in meeting by current Councillor Sheehan, who was basically there to listen. She spoke about

events affecting budget and realizes impact of various items/events.

Adjourn Motion to adjourn by Helen Drew, second by Steve Rego. All Ayes.
Meeting adjourned at 7:43 PM EST

* (V) May require a vote

Minutes reviewed and approved: /s-