

**Town of West Boylston
Finance/CIB Committee
Meeting of October 17, 2022**

A meeting of Fincom and CIB was convened at 6:35 pm in the High School cafeteria prior to the Town Meeting. Attending Fincom and CIB members were Chris Berglund, Paul Bohnson, Ray Bricault, Mary Foley, and Pete Murphy. Bill Fay and Jim Marinelli were absent. Paul Redmond has submitted his resignation from Fincom and CIB.

Mary Foley moved, seconded by Ray Bricault, to approve the minutes of October 3 for Fincom and CIB. All voted in favor 5-0.

The Town Administrator presented a proposed change to Warrant Article 6: Capital Improvement Purchases; Item C, DPW Director Vehicle, \$42,000. The Select Board proposed increasing the appropriation from \$42,000 to \$75,000, so that a double cab, F250 style, pickup truck with a plow can be the vehicle choice. The larger vehicle with plowing capability will increase the utility of the truck for the DPW. The Town Administrator also proposed adding the extra \$33,000 to the free cash transfer in Warrant Article 11, Capital Investment Fund. The DPW Director had originally requested an SUV, which was the reason for the proposed purchase price of \$42,000. After discussion, Fincom and CIB members agreed that the additional utility was worth the increased expense. Ray Bricault moved, Paul Bohnson seconded, a motion to increase the endorsed appropriation in Warrant Article C to \$75,000. The motion was approved 5-0 for Fincom and CIB.

The Fire Chief, Mark Sadowski, briefly discussed Fire vehicle needs. The CIB and Fincom requested that the Fire Chief be prepared for a much more detailed discussion of vehicle needs and Fire mutual aid in the capital review meetings next year. Warrant Article 6, Item E, \$74,586, was discussed. The Chief said the larger, double cab, F250 style vehicle, is needed for emergency call backup and transport of equipment and personnel. It is used almost daily. The current vehicle is out of service with an engine failure. CIB and Fincom had previously endorsed this Warrant Article 6, Item E, so no further action was taken.

The next meeting has not been set.

The meeting adjourned at 7:00 pm as moved by Ray Bricault and seconded by Mary Foley.

Pete Murphy
Secretary, Fincom and CIB