Town of West Boylston Finance/CIB Committee Meeting of May 9, 2022

A meeting of Fincom and CIB was convened at 6:00 pm by Zoom. Attending Fincom and CIB members were Chris Berglund, Paul Bohnson, Ray Bricault, Mary Foley, and Pete Murphy. Austin Cyganiewicz, Bill Fay, Jim Marinelli, and Paul Redmond were absent. Chair Chris Berglund read the Zoom meeting State authorization statement.

Ray Bricault moved and Paul Bohnson seconded a motion to approve the amended minutes of May 2. All voted in favor 5-0.

The town meeting warrant was reviewed:

- Article 6 Authorize transfer of FY22 funds No transfers have been identified although some are expected. These will be available at the Fincom CIB meeting right before Town Meeting.
- Article 7 Pay bills from a previous year There are no known bills to pay and none are expected.
- Article 16 Amend the Personnel Bylaws Article XXI to change the Emergency and Fire Personnel compensation steps The position of the Fire Chief is to support the bylaw change to increase compensation to avoid newly trained personnel from moving to other town Fire departments for better pay. After some discussion, Fincom decided to offer no opinion. Ray Bricault moved and Mary Foley seconded a motion to offer no opinion on the article. The motion was approved by Fincom by a vote of 5-0.
- Article 17 Amend the Personnel Bylaws Article XXI to add a new position, Inspection Department Assistant Grade D This is a planning effort to have this position available if there is an opportunity to merge two existing part time positions into one 30 hour position. Benefit costs were discussed. One of the existing positions already offers benefits. There is a claim of potential savings, but Fincom did not believe these to be significant. Ray Bricault moved and Paul Johnson seconded a motion to offer no opinion on the article. The motion was approved by Fincom by a vote of 5-0.

Ray Bricault will represent Fincom and CIB on the Town Administrator search committee. Mary Foley moved and Pete Murphy seconded a motion to approve Ray Bricault as the representative of Fincom and CIB.

The slides for the report to town meeting by Fincom and CIB were extensively reviewed and modified. Chris Berglund will finalize and give the presentation at Town Meeting. Pete Murphy moved and Mary Foley seconded a motion to approve the presentation to Town Meeting. The motion was approved by Fincom by a vote of 5-0 and by CIB by a vote of 5-0.

The meeting adjourned at 7:20 pm as moved by Pete Murphy and seconded by Paul Bohnson.

Pete Murphy Secretary, Fincom and CIB