

Meeting convened at 4:33 pm in the Mezzanine Room of the Brooks Memorial Library

Present: Conor Floyd, Maya Hasegawa, Oscar Heller, David Levenbach, Franz Reichsman (chair)

Absent: Ben Coplan

Guests: Planning Director Sue Fillion, Town Manager Peter Elwell

1. Approved minutes of 22 July as amended (consensus)
2. Discussed the concerns expressed at the March 2019 Representative Town Meeting that action be taken to address energy and sustainability issues

- Motion made and seconded: ***The Finance Committee recommends that the Selectboard hire a Sustainability Coordinator to operate under the guidance of the Town Manager to pursue the Selectboard's definition of sustainability***

- Motion made and seconded, to amend motion and substitute:

"Whereas Representative Town Meeting voted in March, 2019 to fund energy and sustainability efforts within the town, and

"Whereas the discussion at town meeting indicated the body's support for establishing the position of sustainability coordinator, and

"Whereas there are concerns about the lack of a clear definition of sustainability,

"Therefore, the Representative Town Meeting Finance Committee resolves that the Selectboard should create and fund the position of sustainability coordinator for the town, and that the Selectboard should provide guidance as to what sustainability means in relation to this position."

Amendment passed (5-0); Motion as amended passed (5-0)

- Motion made and seconded: that Chair distribute resolution above to the *Reformer* and the *Commons* with indication that it was passed unanimously, and the names of those voting (passed 5-0)
3. Continued discussion of the Committee's responsibilities with respect to review of school budget in light of merger
 4. Continued discussion of the use of fund balances by the Selectboard and the School Board (in particular, in the latter case, with respect to the athletic fields)
 5. Confirmed upcoming Committee meetings, fourth Mondays at 5 pm, for September through November (consensus)

Meeting adjourned at 6:04 pm

Submitted by Levenbach, Clerk