



## Town of Groveland MASSACHUSETTS

Board/Committee Name: Finance Board  
Date: May 23, 2022  
Time: 6:00 p.m.  
Location: Bagnall Elementary School  
253 School Street, Groveland, MA 01834

**Present:**

Board Members: Ruth Rivard, James Scanlon, Melissa Baker, Theresa Dunn, Sarah McGrath and Susan Yaskell

Absent Members: None

Other Attendees: Joseph D'Amore

**Opening:**

The special meeting of the Finance Board was called to order at 6:00 p.m. on May 23, 2022 by Ruth.

**Review Revised Town Budget Following Pentucket Regional School District ('PRSD')**

**Modified Assessment:**

Ruth noted that the revised PRSD operating assessment came back lower than the 3% increase that had been allocated. As a result, there is approximately \$190,000 that can be used to add funds back the omnibus budget and restore it to the amounts that were originally voted. Ruth presented a schedule showing the changes for review. A summary of changes is as follows:

Budget	Change
Moderator	An increase in the Total Moderator Budget of \$100
Selectmen	An increase in the Total Selectmen Budget of \$17,500
Town Administrator	An increase in the Total Town Administrator Budget of \$500
Treasurer	An increase in the Total Treasurer Budget of \$4,700
Town Accountant	An increase in the Total Town Accountant Budget of \$500
Board of Assessors	An increase in the Total Board of Assessors Budget of \$2,000
Technology	An increase in the Total Technology Budget of \$5,000
Town Clerk	An increase in the Total Town Clerk Budget of \$432

<b>Budget</b>	<b>Change</b>
Economic Development, Planning & Conservation	An increase in the Total Economic Development, Planning & Conservation Budget of \$15,138
Municipal Buildings	An increase in the Total Municipal Buildings Budget of \$936
Insurance	An increase in the Total Insurance Budget of \$200
Police	An increase in the Total Police Budget of \$703
Fire	An increase in the Total Fire Budget of \$1,000
Building	An increase in the Total Inspectors Budget of \$7,414
Emergency Management	An increase in the Total Emergency Management Budget of \$85
Education	A decrease in the Total Education Budget of \$188,726
Tree Warden	An increase in the Total Tree Warden Budget of \$20,000
Highway	An increase in the Total Highway Budget of \$435
Rubbish Collection	An increase in the Total Rubbish Collection Budget of \$17,119
Cemetery	An increase in the Total Cemetery Budget of \$2,881
Board of Health	An increase in the Total Board of Health Budget of \$1,898
Council on Aging	An increase in the Total Council on Aging Budget of \$368
Library	An increase in the Total Library Budget of \$6,038
Unclassified	An increase in the Total Unclassified Budget of \$200

With the changes above, the total expenses in the omnibus budget total \$21,159,514. Melissa made the motion, which was seconded by Sarah, to adjust the omnibus budget currently in the Annual Town Meeting Warrant. The changes were approved unanimously.

#### **Discuss Changes to Warrant, if Any:**

As a result of the approved changes to the omnibus budget above, it was noted that a motion will need to be made on the floor of the Annual Town Meeting to present the revised budget, which will be included as a handout at the meeting. Melissa noted that she would make the motion on the floor in order to open a discussion on the floor.

#### **Line Item Transfers:**

Ruth reported that the line item transfers were not available at this time. Jim made a motion, which Sarah seconded, to table the line item transfers until such time that they became available. The motions was approved unanimously.

#### **Review Meeting Minutes:**

Ruth noted that the meeting minutes were not yet ready for review and approval and would be presented at the next meeting.

**Plan Next Meeting and Agenda:**

A regular meeting will be held on June 8, 2022 at 5:00 p.m.

**Other Items Not Reasonably Anticipated at Time of Posting:**

No items were noted.

**Adjournment:**

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Sarah, seconded by Melissa, and approved unanimously. Meeting was adjourned at 6:10 p.m. by Ruth.

Minutes prepared by: *Melissa Baker*

Minutes approved on: June 8, 2022

**Meeting Materials:**

1. Schedule of Changes to the Omnibus Budget