



TOWN OF NAHANT
Advisory and Finance Committee

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Joint meeting of Nahant Advisory & Finance Committee and Board of Selectmen

Nahant Advisory and Finance Committee Meeting Minutes

Tuesday March 31st, Teleconference

Members Present: Manatee (Chair), Vanderslice, Tarmy, Ragucci, Fulghum (Vice-Chair), Zahora

Members Absent: Clausen, Giardella

Others: Selectmen, Josh Antrim, Mark Cullinan, Town Accountant Deb Waters, Town Admin. Tony Barletta, Paul Spirn, Lynne Spencer, Attorney Jeff Blake (7:42)

Meeting called to order at 7:04 p.m. Mr. Manatee read the Governor's March 12, 2020 order allowing for remote public meetings. Phone in: 1-401-418-9388, meeting #793-223-073

Mr. Cullinan called the BOS meeting to order at 7:05

Approval of Fin Com minutes for 3/11, 3/12, 3/17, 3/18; motion by Zahora, 2nd Ragucci

Fin Com invited BOS and CPC to describe their process in deciding on Eminent Domain and CPC funding

- BOS reviewed confidential information, conferred with counsel
- Calls to NEU went unanswered
- Addressed concerns re: future CPC funding – confident there will be funding
- “Put decision in hands of voters” “not a decision that can wait”
- BOS would not put town at risk – if this is not done, could be a cost in the ‘double millions’ to the Town
- No strings attached to the \$3 million private donation
- After speaking with outside Counsel experienced with Eminent Domain and Town Counsel, confident \$4.5 million is sufficient to accomplish what needs to be done
- Walked through approx. two-to-three-year process for Eminent Domain

BOS Adjourned at 8:30 Fin Com meeting continued.

Town Election to be postponed to June 20, 2020; no postponement date for Town Meeting; if unable to have full town meeting due to not allowing large crowds to gather.

Discussed various scenarios for addressing need to approve budget and spending articles; borrowing needs to be passed before June 30th.

May not see normal until Sept; Chap. 70 and 90 amounts unknown; may know more when house budget is released. A local state of emergency allows us to spend beyond budget; we have a Covid-19 related account of \$150K to cover costs associated with virus; may be extra monies in School Budget due to school being closed and SPED transportation costs.

#1 priority right now is public health and safety.

Deb Waters asked about potential liaisons from Fin Com to each department.

No new meetings scheduled.



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Meeting adjourned at 9:29 p.m. Motion by Zahora, 2nd Tarmy.

Motions Made	First and Seconded	Vote
1. Approval of Fin Com minutes for 3/11, 3/12, 3/17, and 3/18	1 st Zahora, 2 nd Ragucci	Unanimous
2. Adjourn Meeting.	1 st Zahora, 2 nd Tarmy	Unanimous