



**TOWN OF NAHANT
Advisory and Finance Committee**

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Thursday, March 23, 2023 meeting via Zoom.

Members Present: Bartlett, Beatty, Sheehan, Tarmy, Vanderslice, Warren, Zahora

Members Absent: Barba, McMackin

Others Present: S. Hawkes, A. Nieto, D. Vanderslice

Meeting called to order: 6:38

No minutes to approve.

Library Budget presented by Sharon Hawkes, Library Director. Hawkes shared her screen to present an PowerPoint on what the Library has done over the past year in programs and capital improvements. Would like to see the materials budget fully funded through appropriations and not from elsewhere in the budget. FinCom suggested approaching the Johnson School to share costs and Librarians. State Aide can also be used to fund this and well as tapping into a few other donor sources. Hoping for commitment from BOS to fund this in FY25. Attendance numbers are significantly down since 2019. Visitors are still reticent about physically coming into the Library due to COVID. Confident numbers will return.

Brief discussion about providing programs – future or current – for residents with special needs.

Culture and Recreation budget presented by A. Nieto. Fourth of July funding is only area where there is a significant increase. There has been little to no funding of this for many years. Funds have been donated. Cost of fireworks has increased significantly.

Vanderslice shared excel sheet showing which Committee members will be responsible for which Article responses.

VOTING RECOMMENDATIONS ON ARTICLES:

Article 1: Transfers - Wait for numbers

Article 2: Snow & Ice - Wait for numbers

Article 3: Prior year bills - Wait for numbers

Article 4: Salary & Compensatino - Omnibus - Wait for numbers

Article 5: Compensation for Elected Officials – Motion by Zahore, second by Beatty - unanimous
– RECOMMENDED

Article 6: Omnibus – Wait for numbers

Article 7: W/S Enterprise – Motion by Sheehan, second by Beatty - unanimous –

RECOMMENDED

Article 8: W/S Paving –Motion by Sheehan, second by Beatty -unanimous – RECOMMENDED

Article 9: Rubbish– Motion by Sheehan, second by Warren - 6 Ayes; 1 Abstain– RECOMMENDED



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- Article 10: Compost– Motion by Zahora, second by Beatty - unanimous– RECOMMENDED
Article 11: Recreation Revolving - Motion by Tarmy - unanimous– RECOMMENDED
Article 12: Revolving Funds – Motion by Tarmy, second by Beatty – unanimous – RECOMMENDED
Article 13: OPEB – Motion by Tarmy, second by Beatty – unanimous – RECOMMENDED
Article 14: Stabilization – Motion by Tarmy, second by Beatty - unanimous – RECOMMENDED
Article 15: Paving – Motion by Tarmy, second by Beatty - unanimous – RECOMMENDED
Article 16: COA Kitchen – Motion by Zahora, second by Beatty - unanimous – RECOMMENDED
Article 17: Release Funds Transportation Network – Motion by Tarmy, second by Beatty - unanimous – RECOMMENDED
Article 18: Sewer/DPW Capital – Motion by Sheehan, second by Beatty - unanimous – RECOMMENDED
Article 19: MWRA Borrowing – Motion by Sheehan, second by Beatty - unanimous – RECOMMENDED
Article 20: Chap. 90 Highway – Motion by Tarmy, second by Beatty - unanimous – RECOMMENDED
Article 21: CPC Articles – Wait for information from CPC Cmte.
Article 22: Open Space – Motion by Tarmy, second by Beatty - unanimous – RECOMMENDED
Article 23: Wildlife – After brief discussion, motion by Beatty, second by Warren – 6 Ayes, 1 no – RECOMMENDED
Zahora had to leave meeting.
Article 24 & 25 – Short Term Rentals – needs further discussion – wait for input by Barletta
Sheehan introduced the thought to amend the Article as written to include “in all cases special permits shall expire three years after date of issue.” Sheehan introduced information on additional Community Impact fees of up to 3%. Committee took a non-binding vote to make recommendation to amend – 4 Ayes, 2 abstains.
Article 26: Continue Committees – Motion by Tarmy, second by Beatty - unanimous – RECOMMENDED

Public Forum: None

Motion by Tarmy to adjourn, second by Warren. Unanimous Ayes
Meeting adjourned at 8:39 pm.

Respectfully submitted and approved on March 28, 2023 as corrected
Submitted to Town Clerk by Tarmy on March 29, 2023