

Town of Holliston Finance Committee

Meeting Minutes

November 29, 2016

The meeting convened at 7:04pm in Room 105 of Holliston Town Hall. In attendance were Chairperson Ken Szadja, Vice Chairperson Michelle Zeamer, Committee Clerk Vincent Murphy and members Suzanne Nersessian, Tim Maxwell. Absent, Dan Alfred.

Ken Szadja reported that a few changes had been made to the FY18 Guideline Memo after committee review and that the schedule for budget presentations to the Committee would be set after discussion with the Board of Selectmen. He also reported that the departmental liaison list was complete following the resignation of committee member Beth Liberty.

In a discussion regarding the 9C cuts to the Town from the State budget, Mr. Szadja said that while information from the State about cuts was still uncertain, the guidelines set for the FY18 Town budget will likely protect the Town from possible cuts.

Mr. Szadja began a discussion of the Collins Center Capital Plan report by requesting committee members to assign weights to the capital needs in the plan as a way of moving forward to a consensus on how the capital plan moves forward. In response to members' questions about the process, responsibility and the consistency of information, Mr. Szadja said that the Collins Center document is a starting point, and it is a document that will change, it is a "living" document. The committee identified areas of the document that required more information and consistency in order to move forward to a comprehensive list that can be used to forecast capital needs for a capital plan.

Ms. Nersessian made a motion to adjourn, Mr. Murphy seconded it and the meeting was adjourned at 9:15pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Vincent J. Murphy, Jr.  
Clerk

