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SHARON BOARD OF FINANCE Draft until approved at the next regular meeting

A special meeting of the Sharon BOF was held on April 30, 2021 immediately following the public hearing via ZOOM and In-Person at the Sharon Center School. Present were regular members Bartram, Fowler, Bancroft and Duncan; alternates Ensign and Flaton; First Selectman Colley, reporters Hawken and Epstein; and the secretary.

Interim Chairman Bartram called the meeting to order at 7:55. Mrs. Robertson designated Alternate Flaton to vote in her absence and as Mr. O'Kelly is not in attendance via ZOOM, alternate Ensign was designated a voting member as well.

The Board commented on the issues discussed concerning the Board of Education's proposed budget: they encouraged communication between the Board, Sam Herrick the Region 1 Business Manager and the Sharon Energy and Environment Commission. Mr. Bancroft made a motion to recommend the BOE proposed budget to Town Meeting for adoption as presented, seconded by Ms. Fowler, with all in favor.

The Board commented on the issues discussed concerning the Board of Selectmen's proposed budget: replacing trees along Town roads that have been removed – get the Tree Warden's input and what communication there is, if any, between the Sharon Green Committee and the Green Preservation Group (there are members from both groups on each); put in a foot note pertaining to the amount of money collected for transfer station stickers at the end of the budget; the transfer station in general; adding a donation for the "Ed Kirby Field" at the high school – the alumni group should send a request; look at combining all the land use salaries into one; discuss what directions this Board would like the Board of Selectmen to look at the future; and combined Building Official/Fire Marshal position is perfect for now but probably will not continue the future. Mr. Duncan made a motion to recommend the BOS proposed budget to Town Meeting for adoption as presented, seconded by Ms. Fowler, with all in favor.

With nothing further, Ms. Flaton made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Ensign, with all in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 8:20.

Respectfully submitted,

Tina Pitcher, Recording Secretary

NEXT SPECIAL MEETING: May 14 after the Town Meeting

Next Regular Meeting: June 15 7pm