



The Town of Barnstable

Comprehensive Financial Advisory Committee (CFAC)

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CFAC Committee:

Chairman:

Bill Brower

Members:

Robert Ciolek
Laura Cronin
Stanley Hodkinson
Ralph Krau
Tom Michael

Staff Liaison:

Mark Milne

Councilor Liaison:

Richard Barry
James Munafo Jr.

CFAC MEETING MINUTES

7.19.10

7:00 PM

Growth Management Conference Room

CFAC Members Present: Bill Brower, Robert Ciolek, Ralph Krau, Stanley Hodkinson

CFAC Members Absent: Tom Michael, Laura Cronin

Councilors Present: None

Staff Present: Deb Childs - Finance/Budget Analyst

1. Call to Order

Upon a quorum duly present, Bill Brower called the CFAC meeting to order at 7:00 PM in the Growth Management Conference Room.

2. Act on Minutes

Motion made and accepted to approve the minutes of 06.28.10.

Vote: Unanimous

3. Chairman, Staff & Councilor Comments

None

4. Old Business

Discussion centered around the recent Town Council meeting and decision to send the question of funding for the Stewarts Creek Project and the Private Roads taking to the November ballot for voter decision. The council decided to put two separate items on the ballot.

Bob C. had several questions about the roads project. Is there a list of roads for priority or a plan of what is to be done first? How much money will be used for the taking of roads and how much will go towards improvements.

Stan H. questioned what happens if both are voted down. He also questions who will be educating the voters about the importance of these issues?

Bob C. responded he would expect Mark Ells would take a lead on the road project. He also shared a document Falmouth utilized to educate voters on the sewer financing proposals. He wonders if someone from Barnstable could do a similar marketing. He noted the council did approve the increase in hotel/motel excise and meal taxes that could fund portions of the current projects otherwise the general fund may need to be charged.

Bill B. inquired if the committee thought he should meet with John Klimm to discuss.

Ralph K. inquired where the suggested workshop between CFAC and the Town Council stands?

Bill B. anticipates something would happen in Sept. or Oct.

5. New Business

Letter about Five Year Forecast

Bill B. would like to have the letter sent at the right time to expect action on it.

Ralph K. suggested providing it at the time of the workshop.
The committee agreed that time would be appropriate.

Brainstorming Revenue Generating and Cost Saving ideas

Bob C. provided a handout with his recommendations of ideas for review.

Bill B. would recommend two items - the split tax rate and a PILOT program (Payment in lieu of taxes).

Ralph K. recommends review of Sewer rates, the tax title sales, and various fees such as the Sandy Neck fees.

Stan H. recommends review of the Municipal lots for parking. Ex. The 500 Block near Main Street.

Bill also mentioned the fire districts as an option.

Deb provided a handout from Mark Milne that he updated with what action or progress had taken place on the previous recommendations.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Next Meeting is scheduled for August 16, 2010.