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BRIDGEWATER BOARD OF FINANCE REGULAR MEETING JANUARY 17, 2024

Board Members Present: Jean Robinson, Chuck Harris, Dennis MacDonald, Tom Presby and Walt Barlow

Guests: First Selectman, Curtis Read and Auditor, Rico Melarango

CALL TO ORDER

Tom, showing once again his keen application of promptness, called the meeting to order at 16:00.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Regular Meeting - November 15, 2023

Special Meeting - November 15, 2023

Motions to accept were made by our hirsute members Chuck and Dennis. All voted in favor.

Tom will ask the Selectman's Office to post a job opening for the coveted position of Board of Finance Clerk.

REVENUE AND EXPENSE REPORTS

Reports were distributed and discussed. Year end 2023 accounting entries will wait for affirmation upon the return of our esteemed Treasurer.

REPORT FROM AUDITOR

Rico Melarango, of Charles Heaven & Co., CPAs, thanked management for its cooperation during the audit preparation process. Rico, with enthusiasm rarely seen in the accounting profession, was able to deliver to us a clean audit and did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that could be considered material weaknesses.



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MOTION

Chuck motioned to accept the "Audited Financial Statements and Supplemental Financial Data June 30, 2023" as presented to the Board. Seconded by Jean. This motion is subject to a confirmation by the Treasurer.

REPORT FROM THE FIRST SELECTMAN

A quick update from Curtis ended with a lively description of his Library Attic Ladder Calisthenics.

STATUS OF REGION 12 "SMOOTHING" EFFORT

Roxbury, at this time, is unwilling to commit to smoothing the allocations of the Region 12 school budget to each town using a rolling average of the student population. No further discussions of this scheme are planned.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion by Walt to prorogue was offered at 17:15, was seconded by Chuck and exuberantly accepted by all.

Respectfully submitted Walt

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