



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
Henry McClean
Tom Michael

Staff Liaison:

Mark Milne

Councilor Liaison:

Richard Barry
James Munafo Jr.

CFAC MEETING "Notes"

03.07.11

7:00 PM

Growth Management Conference Room

CFAC Members Present: Bill Brower, Robert Ciolek, Tom Michael

CFAC Members Absent: Henry McClean, Laura Cronin, Stanley Hodkinson, Ralph Krau

Councilors Present: James Munafo Jr.

Staff Present: Mark Milne - Finance Director, Deb Childs - Finance/Budget Analyst

1. Call to Order

Bill Brower noted that a sufficient quorum was not present; he called the CFAC meeting to order at 7:00 PM in the Growth Management Conference Room and reviewed that no votes could be taken due to the lack of a quorum.

2. Act on Minutes

No action taken.

3. Chairman, Staff & Councilor Comments

Mark Milne informed the committee the request for legislature to create a sewer trust fund to accept revenue generated from the increased meals tax and Hotel/motel taxes would be reintroduced at the next Council meeting. Mark reminded the committee that the measure had been introduced last year with the Senate approving but the House did not take action.

He welcomed any CFAC members to attend the meeting and offer their support.

Bob C. will draft a letter in support for the committee's approval.

Bill Brower brought up the topic of the request for the 10 year budget plan to be changed to a 5 year plan. After reviewing notes, Bill noted that the letter of request was never forwarded to the Town Council as the committee opted to wait for the joint meeting as an opportunity to discuss first. Bill will pull the information and send to Jim Munafo so the request could be introduced.

Councilor Munafo inquired if the CFAC committee had received any correspondence from the Council President in regard to the review of Solid Waste. Bill Brower replied no.

Bob C. update the committee on a discussion he had with Richard Elrick regarding Solid Waste. Richard leads a committee tasked with taking a look at recycling options in regard to Solid Waste. He was inquiring about the CFAC committee's task? Richard thinks it is important for the two committees to work together and he offered a suggested division of labor. Bob C. agrees cooperation would be best but was hesitant to agree to any specifics without knowing what specifically CFAC has been requested to do.

Mark Milne will invite DPW to the next meeting to provide and overview of the current status of Solid Waste options.

Bob C. has forwarded a copy of a suggested press release to Bill Brower. The press release would hopefully result in some applicants to the committee. Bill B. will seek clarification from the Appointments committee as to the status of any candidates to the CFAC committee.

Mark Milne indicated there were several applicants interested in the early retirement incentive. They are still working with the departments to review if any would be approved. The deadline is 3/21.

Mark M. noted that the Cape Cod Times had run a story highlighting the proactiveness of the Town in addressing the OPEB (Other post employment benefits) liabilities. Mark reviewed the steps the town is taking to show their awareness and address these costs.

Mark reviewed the Sturgis Charter Schools plans for expansion and discussion reviewed the potential impacts to the costs to the Town.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Next Meeting is scheduled for March 21, 2011.