

JOINT FINANCE AND LEGISLATIVE SUB-COMMITTEES MEETING MINUTES
May 6, 2019

- Present:** Christopher Johnson Acting Chair and Ex Officio of Finance Committee
Dino Mercadante
Cecilia Calabrese
- Absent:** Gina Letellier, Paul Cavallo and Joseph Mineo
- Present:** Robert Magovern, Chair of Legislative Committee
Rosemary Sandlin
Cecilia Calabrese
Robert Rossi
- Absent:** George Bitzas
- Also Present:** Auditor and Michael Squindo, Senior Center Director and Will Clark
- Called to Order:** Meeting was called to order at 6:00pm by Acting Chairs Johnson and Magovern in the Teachers' Café in the Agawam Junior High School.

Agenda

- 1. TR-2019-31 - A Resolution accepting a gift from the Pioneer Valley Transportation Authority pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44, Section 53A in the amount of \$59,100.00 for an Agawam Senior Center van (Mayor Sapelli)**

The van is paid for by the front life and 8 passengers can fit and can accommodate two wheel chairs. They can also use the 14 passenger van as back up. There was a typo in the contract – should be five years and 100,000 miles noted in the contract. Close to 26% of the town's population is age 65 and over.

Motion to send a positive recommendation to the Full Council was moved by Councilor Johnson and seconded by Councilor Mercadante for the Finance Committee.

The vote was **3 Yes, 0 No, 3 Absent** (Councilors Letellier, Cavallo and Mineo).

Motion to send a positive recommendation to the Full Council was moved by Councilor Sandlin and seconded by Councilor Calabrese for the Legislative Committee.

The vote was **4 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent** (Councilor Bitzas).

- 2. TR-2019-32 - A Resolution accepting a grant from the Pioneer Valley Transportation Authority pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44, Section 53A up to the amount of \$29,322.00 for a transportation coordinator (Mayor Sapelli)**

Motion to send a positive recommendation to the Full Council was moved by Councilor Johnson and seconded by Councilor Mercadante for the Finance Committee.

The vote was **3 Yes, 0 No, 3 Absent** (Councilors Letellier, Cavallo and Mineo).

Motion to send a positive recommendation to the Full Council was moved by Councilor Sandlin and seconded by Councilor Calabrese for the Legislative Committee.

The vote was **4 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent** (Councilor Bitzas).

3. TOR-2019-5 - An Ordinance amending Chapter 33 of the Code of the Town of Agawam (Two Readings Required) (Mayor Sapelli)

Discussed going to a ticket or token system or ride now, pay later system.

Motion to send a positive recommendation to the Full Council was moved by Councilor Johnson and seconded by Councilor Calabrese for the Finance Committee.

The vote was **3 Yes, 0 No, 3 Absent** (Councilors Letellier, Cavallo and Mineo).

Motion to send a positive recommendation to the Full Council was moved by Councilor Sandlin and seconded by Councilor Calabrese for the Legislative Committee.

The vote was **4 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent** (Councilor Bitzas).

4. Any other business that may legally come before the Committee.

None.

5. Adjournment.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 6:53pm

Respectfully submitted,

Councilor Cecilia Calabrese, Member
Finance and Legislative Committees