

Town of Middlefield Finance Committee

2/27/25 Meeting

In attendance:

Adair Laurel-CafarellaGita JozsefKen MurrayKarri TraskStephen Harris, Secretary

Also attending:

Donald Trask Maureen Longobardi Al Longobardi Dan Bergeron Ann Marie Visconti Doreen Black Tamarin Laurel-Paine

Quorum, call to order:

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 pm.

Review minutes from previous meeting:

Minutes from previous meeting on 02/11/24 were approved as written.

Reviewed and voted on FY2026 budget items:

Treas/accountant software support Building Commissioner salary & expenses Fund Hilltown Resource Management via grant School & vocational education CodeRED yearly payment on three-year contract Insurance & bonds QDS revenue collection app

Any other business:

Voted to draft a letter to the Selectboard recommending:

- That the forthcoming full town audit should include particular focus on clarifying the costs and benefits of Middlefield's Police Department.
- That the town should finance the new highway department truck using free cash and/or stabilization funds rather than via a loan or Chapter 90 funds needed for various road projects.

Next meeting:

The next Finance Committee meeting will be at the Town Hall on March 11th at 5 pm.

The Finance Committee will hold a pre-March 29 special town meeting forum at the Town Hall on March 20th at 6 pm.

Adjournment:

Meeting was adjourned at 6:30 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Stoplan B Harres