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TOWN OF BROOKLINE, NEW HAMPSHIRE FINANCE COMMITTEE

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Brookline Finance Committee Meeting Meeting Minutes Tuesday, November 1, 2022

Committee Attendance: Brian Rater (BR), Cindy LaCroix (CL) via teleconference, Tracy Perry
 (TP)
 Meeting called to order: 6:10 pm

Brian Rater (BR) – Welcomed finance committee members to a November meeting of the
Brookline Finance Committee, which was held hybrid, in person and via teleconference.

9 **Public Input** – no public present.

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11 Meeting Minutes for Approval

12 Minutes for the October 18, 2022, Brookline Finance Committee meeting will be reviewed at the 13 next FinComm meeting.

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15 **3. Agenda adjustments – Review Recommendations for Town Stipends**

16 CL updated BR and TP on stipends conversations with Angie Dacey, Welfare Officer and Abby

- 17 Reville, Health Officer for Brookline. Angie believed that the current \$6,000 was adequate for
- 18 now as the most demanding part of the role was the emergency calls that happened during off-
- 19 hours about once a quarter. She said she was working on education programs to help reduce
- 20 these emergency situations with community members. The Welfare Officer is currently a
- 21 volunteer position, but as the town grows and the needs of the residents grow, this position is
- 22 rapidly evolving into a part-time position.
- 23 In CL's conversation with Abby, she also believes that as the town grows the Health Officer is
- 24 becoming more of a part-time position. This position works on code enforcement and as building
- and construction increase, code enforcement becomes increasingly important. Since this
- volunteer position enforces RSAs, it may be in the Town's best interest to make this an
- 27 employee.
- For the Treasurer, there are efficiencies that could be put into place like a cloud-based system to
- 29 help reconcile accounts and delegate authority to the Deputy Treasurer. If the Deputy Treasurer
- 30 does not receive a stipend, perhaps that compensation should be a part of her salary.
- 31 BR will follow up with the Board of Assessors and Supervisor of the Checklist.

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33	4. Updates from Other Committees
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36	5. Set date of next meeting – BR proposed the next meeting for November 9, 2022, at 7:00 pm.
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38	Other Business - none
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40	BR asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. TP moved to adjourn; CL seconded.
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42	BR entered the voting mode by roll call. The motion carried 3-0-0.
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44	The meeting was adjourned at 6:29 PM.