

Finance Subcommittee Meeting – Approved Minutes

October 20, 2021, 5:30 p.m.

Central Services

Attendance:

Jenny Emery	Present	Jordan Grossman	Present
Mark Fiorentino	Present	Anna Robbins	Present
Melissa Migliaccio	Present		
Sarah Thrall	Present		

Meeting commenced at 5:35 p.m. Meeting adjourned at 6:40 p.m.

1. Public Comment: none

2. Approve Minutes from the September 15, 2021 Meeting: A motion was made by Mark and seconded by Melissa to approve the minutes from the September 15, 2021 Finance Subcommittee Meeting. Motion passed.

3. September 2021 Statement of Accounts: Anne reviewed the SOA. General fund is benefitting from staff turnover, with new hires at lower salaries. Special Ed made up some of the previous deficit, all related to specific placements. No significant surprises as this early stage of the year.

4. Transportation Contract: This is the final year of the 5-year contract with CREC. The administration has been very happy with CREC's service and pricing. The committee encouraged the administration to explore extending the contract, rather than going to bid, considering several factors, including: 1) CREC's unique relationship with Granby including pricing without profit; 2) severe staffing issues facing all transportation companies; 3) significant expected inflationary pressures; and 4) our satisfaction with their performance. The administration will check with the Town on policies related to any limitations on the extension of contracts and will initiate discussion with CREC.

5. Food Service Update: Anna reported the year is off to an excellent start, with volume far exceeding last year, and the East Granby collaboration working well. Fresh Picks is also dealing with labor shortages and there may be food supply shortages. The first full invoice for the year has not yet been received; Anna will track this closely and report back to the board.

6. Contract Negotiations Update: The Administrators contract will be ratified tonight. Secretary negotiations will commence after elections, with custodians to follow.

7. Building Committee Update: Jenny updated the committee on possible delays due to supply chain issues, as well as significant cost increases which will likely impact how many and which of the projects can get done within the available \$7.1M in approved bonding funds. She also advised the committee has requested a proposal from the roofing architect for a proposal to include an engineering plan to allow for consideration of including solar panels on the roof. The cost of the actual project is not included in the bond funds, but might be considered through other financing methods, or in a subsequent bond referendum.

Mark moved and Melissa seconded adjournment at 6:40 p.m.