­ Shelburne Finance Committee Meeting

Monday August 28, 2023, 5:30 pm

Shelburne Fire Station

18 Little Mohawk Road

Minutes

Call to order: Meeting called to order at 5:30 pm by Chairman, Todd Dubreuil. Those present include, Finance Committee member Terri Mitchell. Absent: Jay Readinger and Matt Popoli. Community Member, Jim Burnham.

1. Old Business:

* Joined the Selectboard Meeting for discussion of the Streetlight Conversion. Selectboard Chairman, Bob Manners, discussed moving the Streetlight issue to the Annual Town Meeting in the spring giving the Energy Commission plenty of time to figure out how to fund the project and decide who would manage the Streetlights going forward. Since a petition with the required signatures was submitted to the Town Clerk, we now have to hold a Special Town Meeting to vote on the proposed Article to Own Our Lights and direct the Energy Commission to undertake what they have recommended in their final report to the Selectboard dated August 1, 2023. The petition is awaiting signature verification by the Town Clerk. Selectboard members had agreed to table the discussion until 9/11/23 when we will have clarification if the signatures on the petition are certified. There was discussion as to if the Town could place the Streetlight Conversion on the Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting and rescind the petition for the Special Town Meeting. It was unclear if this was possible. Energy Commission Chairman, Tom Johnson, will consider having the issue go to Annual Town Meeting. The Finance Committee will not be making a recommendation at this time. Information on the actual costs will be needed before doing so. Left the Selectboard Meeting and returned to the Finance Committee Meeting at 6:50 pm.

2. New Business:

3. Other Issues not anticipated 48 hours before the meeting: None

4. Next Meeting: September 11, 2023 @ 5:30 pm.

5. Motion to Adjourn by Todd Dubreuil, seconded by Terri Mitchell. All in favor. Adjournment at 7:00 pm.