

# Finance Committee

Meeting Minutes  
September 12, 2023  
7:30 PM

**Present:** Christi Andersen (Chair), Jason Cole (Vice Chair), Steve Noone, Roland Bourdon, Dave Wellinghoff, Adam Nolde, and Christine Russell

Ms. Andersen called the meeting to order.

## 1. Citizen's Concerns

None

Finance Committee members expressed their appreciation and thanked the Town for their response to the Microburst.

## 2. Curbside Collection

Ellie Anderson, Finance Solutions Analyst and Corey York, DPW Director gave a presentation about the feasibility and cost of curbside collections in Acton. Key takeaways included that less than ½ the Town uses the Transfer Station, the possibility of reducing overall trash collected and finding a balance between full curbside and hybrid curbside and transfer station. Preliminary costs were presented. Ms. Anderson and Mr. York asked for feedback regarding the presentation and thoughts on proceeding with a public engagement.

Questions and comments were made regarding:

- Noise and traffic
- Environmental impacts
- What about bulk items and yard waste
- Impact on DPW building
- Would the Town operate or contract out
- Percent and revenues from recycling
- Would bags still be used

Members were given a quick survey regarding their use of the Transfer Station

## 3. ALG Discussion

Ms. Andersen and Mr. Cole provided an overview of the last ALG meeting:

- New draft ALG plan
- Many new faces
- The Town Manager reported that free cash would be replenished
- The Superintendent reported that E&D would be going down
- The Superintendent reported on the vacancy factor double booking
- Going forward meetings will be hybrid Monday mornings at 7:30 am

#### **4. POV**

Ms. Russell presented the POV, updated from prior meeting comments and the most current numbers available. Formatting and content decisions were made and a few slides are still waiting on figures to be updated. Two presentations will be created, 1 to be shared with the Select Board and 1 for general public use. Mr. Martin made a correction and some comments.

#### **5. Finance Committee Business**

Members gave their liaison reports.

Next Meeting is September 26, 2023

Mr. Sullivan moved to adjourn. Mr. Cole seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.

#### **Documents and Exhibits Used During this Meeting**

Curbside Collection Presentation

Point of View (POV)