

**Carver Board of Selectmen Meeting &
School Committee Joint Meeting**

January 12, 2017 7:00pm

MINUTES

In Attendance: Board of Selectmen Chairman Ronald Clarke, Vice-Chairman Alan Dunham, Sarah Hewins and Town Administrator Michael Milanoski.

In Attendance: School Committee Vice Chair James O'Brien, Andrew Soliwoda, and Andrew Cardarelli. Superintendent Scott Knief and Brad Brothers, Chief Operations and Finance Officer.

Absent: Board of Selectmen: Helen Marrone and Dave Robertson.

Absent: School Committee Chairman Gina Hanlon-Cavicchi and Paula Kibbe.

Board of Selectmen Chair led the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Both Boards called their meetings to order at 7:01p.m.

1. Update on Finances from the Town Administrator: Michael Milanoski reviewed financial management the Carver Financial Management Policy. Mr. Milanoski reviewed the 10 year capital improvement plan. He discussed how the plan is configured and also reviewed all FY 18 proposed projects.

2. FY 18-2027 Town Forecast: Michael Milanoski discussed all of the FY18 breakdowns for revenues and expenditures and available revenue to both school and town budgets. Scott Knief stated he hoped the revenue from state would change and asked the Town Board of Selectmen how they felt the town departments could survive on a 1.7% increase. Alan Dunham recognized that this is not sustainable and is why the Board of Selectmen are investigating all revenue/resource opportunities. Sara Hewins mentioned there may be a possibility of the Board of Selectmen looking at all policies in place in the town's financial management plan. Mr. Milanoski acknowledged there may be a time in a few years to revisit the policies but urged they stay on track of the percentages outlined for Capital Item Goals. Both sides agreed the formula is not ideal for operating budgets but the Town is progressing and keeping up with facility needs. Mr. Milanoski discussed opening up circuit breaker accounts for one time expenditures. Mr. Knief gave an update on FY 18 school budget and phase reductions. Both sides agreed that we need to look deeper at alternatives for funding issues. Both sides agreed to invite state elected officials to the next Joint Meeting to discuss budget shortfalls and Carver's needs.

3. IT Facilities Consolidation: Mr. Knief and Mr. Milanoski spoke briefly on a grant they are working on of up to \$100,000 for the purpose of consolidating town services. Mr. Knief and Mr. Milanoski discussed the agreement they are working on which would allow **IT** to fall entirely with the school department. The goal of the agreement is to maximum the economies of scale and efficiencies on both the school and town side. Both Committees agreed a letter will be sent by Ron Clarke and James O'Brien to invite Senator Marc Pacheco to the next Joint meeting on March 30, 2017.

At 9:02 p.m. a motion was made by Alan Dunham to adjourn the meeting. Sara Hewins second.

For School Committee, Andy Cardarelli made similar motion and Andrew Soliwoda second.

Approved unanimously by BOS and School Committee 3-0.

Minutes submitted by Brad Brothers, Chief Operations and Finance Officer