

Finance Committee Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, September 15, 2026, Hammonasset Room/Town Campus

Called to order: 6:02pm

Attendees: Jessica Wilen (acting chair), Kevin Fogarty, Emily Rosenthal, Craig Cooke, Zoe Roos, Stacy Nobitz

Summary: We discussed the following items

- Budget calendar
 - BoE will vote on calendar in October
 - District will try to get draft budget to the BoE before Winter Break
 - BoE will vote on budget in January 2027
 - Town referendum scheduled for April 2027
- Budget assumptions
 - Watching enrollment, will likely need two additional teachers for 6th grade
 - Diesel fuel at an all-time high. Normally would try to lock in rates now, but holding out to see if they come down. Currently, rates are \$1/gallon higher than last year.
 - Health insurance remains high
- Unaudited budget results
 - \$440,000 under budget, less than 1% of budget
 - Received more funds back from the state than expected for special ed costs.

No actions taken, no public questions or comments.

Meeting adjourned: 6:35pm