

TOWN OF PRINCETON, MA  
Princeton Advisory Committee  
Meeting Minutes  
March 24, 2020 – 6:00 p.m.

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**AC members in attendance:** Wayne Adams, Helga Lyons, Bill Lawton, Rick McCowan, Judy Dino, Mary Jo Wojtusik

**Advisory Committee (AC) Agenda**

- Approve minutes
- Budget Discussion
- Updates

**Meeting Minutes:** Meeting (via Webex) started at 6:00 p.m.

Approve Minutes of 3/17/20 – 6Y/0N/0A

- **Budget Discussion**  
This item is passed over as Town Government is in the process of moving in preparation for Town Hall renovations. An updated budget is not available at this time.

**Updates:**

- **Road Proposal**  
AC discussed the “Mini”, “Midi” and “Robusto” options presented by the Road Advisory Committee at the prior joint SB/AC meeting. The “Mini” option was deemed not acceptable. “Midi” would continue historical budgets whereas “Robusto” would offer a budget relief for FY21 and provide long-term funding for the proposed Highway Bridge and Culvert on Mirick Road. AC re-iterated that the long-term road budget (cash flow) needs to be developed to allow for a decision on this option.
- **PFAS**  
Updated PFAS information was provided to the public, which shows the listing of houses included in Phase 4. POETS which have been installed are working properly.
- **Planning Board Zoning By-Law changes**  
The hearing for proposed By-Law changes for non-conforming lots and structures has been postponed to April 1, 2020
- **Proposed Bylaw to allow AC members on other committees**  
Wayne has drafted a by-law change for consideration at the next ATM, which would allow members of the Advisory Committee to serve on other town committees. There have been instances in the past (i.e. IT and Broadband Committee) where such participation would have

been helpful but could not be implemented due to existing by-law restrictions which do not allow an Advisory Committee member to participate in another Committee and hold a vote. Recently, Helga Lyons was appointed to the Waste and Recycling Committee as a non-voting AC member. In order to avoid a conflict of interest, it was suggested that such appointments should be limited to one AC member per Committee and that the AC Member would need to abstain from any AC votes on matters related to respective committee.

- **Green Communities Application**

Wayne reported that the Town Manager has asked the Chairs of various town committees and Heads of various town departments to help with the Green Communities Initiative. As such, Wayne will be participating. A kickoff has been postponed due to the current Covid-19 State of Emergency.

- **Police Union negotiations**

Negotiations continue, however AC and SB no longer participate due to Covid-19 State of Emergency.

- **AC Letter to WRSD for Reducing District-Wide Budget**

This item was passed over and will be presented at the next meeting.

The next joint SB/AC/TA budget meeting is scheduled for 3/31/20 at 6 pm.

The AC Meeting was adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

Minutes recorded by Helga Lyons, Secretary