

Town of Liberty Grove
Minutes of the Finance Committee meeting on August 25, 2025

Agenda:

1. Call to order
2. Declaration of quorum
3. Approve Agenda
4. Approve Minutes from 10/7/24
5. Consider nomination of Committee Chairperson
6. Review of Town Finances and 2026 Budget
7. Future meetings
8. Adjourn

Chairman Nancy Goss called the meeting to order at 2:30pm. Committee members Janet Johnson, Gary Kemp, Rick Kingsbury, and Andrew Gantman were present along with Administrators Kalms and Buckingham. Clerk/Treasurer Pamela Donart-Welcome was also in attendance along with one member of the public.

Kemp moved, Goss seconded to approve the agenda as posted. **Carried 5 – 0**

Johnson moved, Goss seconded to approve the 10/7/24 minutes as presented. **Carried 5 – 0**

Goss moved, Gantman seconded to have Janet Johnson be Chair of the Finance Committee.

Roll call: Goss, Kemp, Kingsbury, and Gantman voted aye. Johnson abstained. There were no nays. **Motion Carried.**

Town Finances and 2026 budget – Donart-Welcome reported on the changes made to the working budget worksheet being used by the Committee, the opportunity to use the new Workhorse accounting software budgeting tools available. Kalms shared the “Net New Construction” report noting the 2.15% increase from the previous year. He also suggested the Committee start discussions with expenses first. Gantman requested adding a “delta column” to the worksheet. Buckingham noted his thoughts on some of the percentage increases and trends. Johnson requested making edits in bold to have them visible in future drafts. The Committee members made some preliminary passes at the projected 2026 numbers. Organizations requesting funding will be invited to the next meeting if they want the Finance Committee to consider any additional information beyond what was included in their fund request packet.

Future Meeting(s): The next meeting was scheduled for September 15, 2025 at 2:30pm, followed by October 6th, 13th, 20th and 27th if needed.

Johnson moved, Goss seconded to adjourn at 4:31pmpm. **Carried 5 - 0**

Respectfully submitted,
Pamela Donart-Welcome, Clerk/Treasurer
Approved 9/15/25