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**Town of Colebrook  
Board of Finance**

**Minutes to Meeting of March 4, 2020**

**Members Present**

J. Millar  
R. Carfiro  
T. Corvo  
D. Johnstone  
K. Kennedy  
M. Neal

**Absent**

None

**Others Present**

T. McKeon  
C. Johnstone  
M. Klimkosky

The meeting was called to order at 5:58 p.m. by Chairman J. Millar.

1. T. McKeon presented the Selectmen's 2020-21 budget, which proposes a 6.9% increase to \$2,129,209. The principal increases include \$28,500 for BNE litigation and P&Z legal expense, \$26,200 for the revaluation, \$21,112 to pay a salary to the new wetlands officer, \$18,114 for health insurance, and \$13,000 for recycling.
2. The 2020-21 Capital Improvement Plan of \$452,200 was also presented. The largest item is \$300,000 to repair the Pinney St. bridge, followed by \$35,000 to replace a pickup truck, \$20,000 for new windows at the school, and \$16,000 to paint and repair the Center firehouse. In addition, \$50,000 is earmarked to begin the process of replacing the town garage.
3. The town meeting on May 4 may seek the approval of three items by the town before it adjourns to the budget referendum. These items are an additional tax abatement for volunteer firemen and supplemental appropriations of up to \$50,000 and \$100,000 for the Boards of Education and Selectmen, respectively. The tax abatement was recommended by the Board on February 5; the supplemental appropriations will be considered by the Board at an upcoming meeting.
4. Next week's meeting on March 11 is not needed and is therefore cancelled.
5. K. Kennedy moved to accept the minutes of February 19, 2020. Second, D. Johnstone. Passed with the abstentions of R. Carfiro and T. Corvo who were absent.
6. M. Neal moved to adjourn. Second, K. Kennedy. Passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 6:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Martha F. Neal  
Secretary