

Eliot Budget Committee Meeting

April 18, 2016 Meeting (Fogg Library)

Members present: Brad Hughes (Vice chair), Dennis Lentz, Jim Tessier, Dan Mannschreck, Ed Strong, Phil Lytle.
Absent Donna Murphy (excused)

Public attendance:

No members of the public were present.

Call to Order

Meeting was called to order @ 6:05 PM by the vice chair (Video streaming was not available)

Public Comment

No members of the public spoke

Review and discussion of warrant # Solar array

- The Budget Committee is supportive of this project in the long term and believes that this could be a very positive addition to Eliot. Our short term position however contains concerns about the unknowns listed below. Therefore the Budget Committee does not recommend the current funding of this project.
 - State Permitting required – status unknown
 - Net metering bill before the State Legislature – status unknown
 - Construction will not start until next year
 - To-date, Citizens have not voted on this project.

Review and discussion of warrants 27, 28 & 29

- Decision was not to make recommendation until Select Board has finalized the warrants.

Review and discussion of the draft Budget Committee letter addressing the citizens

- Modified draft letter
- Dan Mannschreck will complete and send to members for review

Adjournment; 6:45 pm

Vice Chair accepted a motion to adjourn by Dan Mannschreck, 2nd by Jim Tessier, vote 5/0

Respectfully submitted

Date approved: 05/10/2016

Dennis F. Lentz, Secretary

Donna Murphy, Chair