

Section. 2-92. Consideration, Approval or Disapproval of Proposed Budgets.

The Finance Committee shall duly consider the estimates and statements filed by the Town Boards, Officers and Committees and hold hearings if they deem it advisable. The Finance Committee shall thereupon approve or disapprove such sums in whole or in part and in such division of items, as it considers necessary and convenient. (Bylaws, Art. 5, § 4, 5-4- 1974)

Section. 2-93. Consideration of Articles in Town Meeting Warrants; Reports and Recommendations.

All articles in any Warrants for a Town Meeting or Special Town Meeting shall be referred to the Finance Committee which shall proceed in accordance with the Charter, Article 6, Section 6-7: “Action on the budget,” as follows:

(a) Public hearing – forthwith upon its receipt of the proposed operating budget, the Finance Committee shall provide for the publication in a local newspaper of a notice stating the time and place, not less than seven (7) nor more than fourteen (14) days following such publication, at which it will hold a public hearing on the proposed operating budget as submitted.

(b) Review – The Finance Committee shall consider, in open public meetings, the detailed expenditures proposed for each Town agency and may confer with representatives of each such agency in connection with its review and consideration. The Finance Committee may require the Town Manager, or any other Town agency, to furnish it with such additional information as I may deem necessary to assist it in its review and consideration of the proposed operating budget.

(c) Action by Town Meeting – The Finance Committee shall file a report containing its recommendations for the action to be taken by the Town Meeting on each line item in the proposed operating budget; this report shall be available at least seven days before the date on which the Town Meeting acts on the proposed budget. When the amendments which have been submitted subsequent to its initial filing are before the Town Meeting for action, it shall first be subject to amendments, if any, proposed by the Finance committee before any other amendments shall be proposed. (Bylaws, Art. 5, § 5, 5-4-1974; Art. 38, 5-1-2001)

Sections. 2-94 to 2-104. Reserved.

* **Cross Reference** – Committee Reports, § 1-31.

State Law Reference – Finance Committees, M.G.L. c. 39, § 16.

ARTICLE V. PERSONNEL ADMINISTRATION PLAN

Section. 2-105. Purpose.

The provisions of this Article shall be for the purpose of providing, creating and supervising personnel policies by the Personnel Board in the Town, with the following powers and duties, including the duty to administer any wage or classification plan which may be adopted by the Town under the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 41, Section 108A, which is hereinafter referred to as the Plan. (Bylaws, Art. 11, § 1, 3-4-1972)

Section. 2-106. Personnel Board-Composition; Qualification.

Under the Plan, there shall be a Personnel Board consisting of three (3) residents of the Town, at least one (1) of whom shall be experienced in personnel management; this Board shall be appointed by the Town Manager. No person shall serve upon such Personnel Board who is at the same time an employee of the Town or who holds an elective Town Office or who is a member of any other permanent Town committee, board, or commission. (Bylaws, Art. 11, § 2, 3-4-1972; Art. 53, 4-4-1987; Art. 39, 5-1-2001)

Section. 2-107. Personnel Board - Compensation

The Personnel Board shall serve without compensation. (Bylaws, Art. 11, § 2, 3-4-1972)