

Finance Committee Minutes

May 4th 2015

A Joint meeting was held with the Selectmen prior to Town Meeting at 5:00Pm. Attending were the three selectmen, namely Ms. Tara White (chair) Mr. Nat Yohalem, and Ms. Shalalby. Also attending were Ms. Sharon Flack, and Mr. Joseph Kellogg. From the Finance Committee were Mr. John Pshenishny, Mr. Mark Carson, Mrs. Prudence Spaulding, and by telephone Mr. David Herrick who could not be present in person. Mrs. Marcia Pshenishny was a guest. The purpose of the meeting was to review the Town Warrant and make sure all the relevant facts were known thus making the Town Meeting better for the citizens of the Town. The Meeting of the Finance Committee was opened at 5:05PM with Mrs. Spaulding 1st, Mr. Pshenishny 2nd passed unanimously.

Mrs. Chretien, Town Clerk, will open the Town Meeting and ask for a vote from the floor to nominate a Town Moderator. Once that is done the meeting will begin.

Each article will be read by one of the selectmen and then a motion from the floor will be entertained with a second. The discussion will commence. Commentators will only have two minutes to make their "point" .And should there be any questions the selectmen will respond unless the Article involves the Finance Committee then Mr. Herrick as chairman will respond.

Article 11 and Article 12 were designed by Mr. Kellogg and relate to the state becoming responsible for the maintenance of Route 57, Mr. Kellogg will respond to questions regarding those two articles. Article 30 involves the passing of the school budget. Both the Finance Committee and the Selectmen did not recommend this budget. Mr. Yohalem will respond for the Selectmen with Mr. Herrick responding for the Finance Committee. The Finance Committee again voted not to recommend this budget with Mr. Carson 1st, and Mr. Pshenishny 2nd passed unanimously.

Should there be any questions about Article 28, 29 and 30 where money was taken from Free Cash Ms. White stated that after the money was taken from Free Cash there would be \$236,100 left in Free Cash with the infusion of \$300,000 from the sale of the property when next year's Free Cash is certified by the state.

Ms. White stated that Article 31 which relates to the installation of a High-speed Broad band network will be postponed until next year some time.

Once the warrant had been reviewed the meeting adjourned at 5:40PM Mr. Carson 1st, Mr. Pshenishny 2nd passed unanimously. And the group shared sandwiches and cupcakes before going upstairs to the Town Meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Prudence Spaulding, Secretary.