## **Town of Ayer**

## Finance Committee Ayer Massachusetts, 01432



Location: Ayer Town Hall, Meeting Room. Finance Committee Minutes

Wednesday April 28, 2010

Present: Brian Muldoon; Chairman, Jesse Reich (early departure); Vice-Chairman, Glen Lapierre, clerk and members Andrew Crowley and Scott Houde

Called to order at 7:03 pm by Brian Muldoon

- Mail
  - No mail
- Minutes
  - o Outstanding minutes 2/17/10, 2,18/10, 2/24/10, 3/3/10, 3/24/10, 4/14/10
- Reserve Fund Transfers
  - Board of Selectmen may have a reserve fund transfer for expenses related to the outgoing town administrator. There
    is still money in the budget. Commonly reserve fund transfers are made after the budget is completely exhausted.
    FinCom all defer any action on this item.
  - o School Board has an estimated shortfall of \$129,424.49 for Vocational Education. The shortfall is due to a true up of costs by Nashoba Tech. More details will be known after the 5/5/10 school committee meeting.
  - o General agreement to pay for Treasurer and Clerk RFT's.
  - Update from Lisa on the Tree Warden. Cannot do a 1099, does a W2. Stipend covers some work& over-seeing other work. Wages are for only when the tree warden does the work.
    - Brian to contact Mark about charging back.
    - Jesse, will we need to fund OT from the Dec. storm?
      - Lisa, probably not, these we're charged back because of the State of Emergency.
- Annual Town Meeting
  - o Presentations are needed for the annual town meeting. There is a warrant requesting a capital expenditure for assets needed by various departments. Scott Houde will make the presentation to town meeting.
- TriBoard meeting
  - o The last policy group meeting was 4/6/10. Next meeting will be in mate May due to prep needed for ATM.
  - The 5 year budget group's next meeting is 4/29/10 at 7:00am. The budget will be prepared for presentation to the ATM.
- Capital Exclusion
  - O B. Muldoon sent letters explaining the exclusion to Lowell Sun and Nashoba Publishing. The question did not pass ballots earlier this month. The question will be reworked for town meeting in hopes of passing and then on the ballots later in 2010.
- Association of Town Finance Committees will be holding a free workshop on April 29/10. B. Muldoon and A Crowley will attend.
- Town Administrator Search
  - G. Lapierre is representing FinCom with the town administrator search. He updated the group. 66 resumes were received in the initial days. The members of the search team will narrow that list down to 5 or 6 applicants. The final 5 or 6 will be presented to BOS for their review.
- Town Energy Committee meeting: General update form Jesse and Lisa.
  - o Johnston Controls has not provided the audit report.

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- Pauline: Can we look into MTC for grants?

   Can we get the grants if we don't use Johnston Controls?
- The committee has a lot of work to do.
- Motion to adjourn by Jesse, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Scott. All in favor.

| Brian Muldoon, Chairman    | <br>Date |
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| Jesse Reich, Vice Chairman | <br>Date |
| Scott Houde, Clerk         | <br>Date |
| Andrew Crowley, Member     | <br>Date |
| Glen Lapierre, Member      | <br>Date |