

FINANCE COMMITTEE
Town of Becket
557 Main Street
Becket, MA 01223

Thursday, August 4, 2011

Call to Order: 7:07PM

Present: Steve L., Ann S., Jeremy D., Craig K., Dan P.

Absent: Chuck A.

Public Present: None

AGENDA

1. Review and approve minutes for prior meetings:

Motion: Ann Second: Jeremy
Approved

2. Correspondence and transfers:
None

3. Further discussion re Ambulance Budget;
Spreadsheet was submitted by Ambulance Dept Head, reviewed by Craig with Committee. No further questions.

4. Salary survey;
Craig emailed a request on a survey. It was suggested that the Town join the Mass Personnel Association for \$100 per year. They offer a compensation database to members. Craig will have the town join.

5. Public input:
None

6. Any other business:
Becket Athenaeum contract included. It met requirements.
Budget balances. We are under cap by \$13K. Tax rate will go up 5.51% from current rate but this does not include the overages from the 2011 Snow and Ice budget.
Fire truck purchase is still open as the warrant posting was incorrect and would not pass Bond Council scrutiny. It will be properly posted and voted at the Special Election in September.
Question as to when "Free Cash" would be certified. A team of the Assessor, Tax Collector, Accountant, and Town Administrator has been formed to start the process of closing the books so Free Cash can be identified and then certified by DOR.

Adjourned: 7:38 PM

Respectfully Submitted by Dan Parnell

Approved: Steve LaBelle, Chair

