



TOWN OF DARTMOUTH MASSACHUSETTS

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Peter Friedman, Chairman
Greg Lynam, Vice-Chairman

Pursuant to a call to order and notice duly given in the manner required by law and the By-laws of the Town of Dartmouth, a meeting of the Finance Committee was held on Thursday, April 16, 2009 at 7:00 P.M. at the Dartmouth Town Hall, Room 315.

MEMBERS PRESENT:, Gregory Lynam, , Peter Friedman, Francis Pettengill, Shannon Jenkins, Patrick Roth, Melissa Haskell

MEMBERS ABSENT: Tenney Lantz, Stephen Mitchell, David Ferreira

MEETING WITH GRANTS DEPARTMENT

Doris Copley of the Grants department met with Finance Committee to discuss her duties. She detailed legal work on grants, such as bank closings. 1/3 of all projects consists of sewer tie-ins. Grants come from HUD but administered by the state. Grants are income qualified and cover repairs, sewer-ties, roofs, energy efficiency, smoke alarms, etc. Grant income pays for consultant to write grant, but Doris assists with grant application. Housing Rehab Inspector paid for by grant; Doris supervises.

Fran asked about Doris's salary. Half is paid for by Select Board, half is paid for by Legal. Next FY, Ed is proposing the creation of Grant Department; the entire salary would fall under this grant. 25% of grant set aside for grant administration; it goes to cover all salaries. Next year, grant will be written to absorb more of Doris's salary. Applications due in February; notification in July. Amount of grant depends on projects. Last year, we put in 800K, got 500K. Next year, applying for \$1M, with two projects in one target area. Target area for FY10 is Bliss Corner

Pat noted grants department has no expenses. Grant has own budget. Over 3M in grants out; that money will soon be recaptured as grant income.

MEETING WITH VETERANS DEPARTMENT

MOTION

moved that the meeting be adjourned. seconded the motion.

Meeting adjourned pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Shannon Jenkins
Clerk