Essex Finance Committee March 10, 2014 7:45 pm Essex Library/Town Hall

Members Present: Richard Ross and Jeff Soulard (no quorum)

1. Transfers

None

2. Meeting Minutes

None

3. FY14 Budget Update

Most budget items appear in line. We will need to monitor Police budget for remainder of the year as they are running tighter to budget than others.

4. FY15 Budget Discussion

The FY15 budget is roughly \$195,000 under the Proposition $2\frac{1}{2}$ Levy Limit after the reductions made to date. At the start of the budget process, we were approximately \$495,000 over the Levy Limit. The biggest changes in the budget have been reductions in our share of the MERSD budget (\$250,000), reductions to Health Insurance (\$60,000) and elimination or deferral of various capital or special articles.

5. Old Business

None

6. New Business

None

7. Public Comment

None

8. Meet with Board of Selectmen (8:30pm)

Members of the Finance Committee met with the Board of Selectmen, Moderator and Deputy Moderator to review the financial articles on the Town Meeting Warrant.