# Minutes of the Finance & Advisory Board Town of Georgetown August 15, 2007

Location – 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Meeting Room – Town Hall

Members in Attendance – Reggie Tardif – Chairman, Jon Ayres – Vice Chairman, Sandy Gerraughty, Tim Ruh - Secretary, Jim Lacey, Robin O'Malley, Jack L'Hommedieu, Mark Hall, Mike Sweat

Guests: George Moker, Carol Jacobs (superintendent), Jonathan Goldfield (Director of Finance and Operations), Steve Epstein

Minutes taken by Robin O'Malley

Meeting called to Order at 7:07 PM by Reg Tardif.

### **Reorganization:**

Chair:

Robin O'Malley nominated Sandy Gerraughty as chair. Jim Lacey seconded. Jon Ayres nominated Reg Tardif as chair. Jack L'Hommedieu seconded. Vote was taken. Sandy received 4 votes and Reg received 3 votes.

#### Vice Chair:

Sandy Gerraughty nominated Tim Ruh as Vice Chair. Tim declined due to time constraints. Reg Tardif nominated Jon Ayres as Vice Chair. Jim Lacey seconded. Vote 7-0

#### Secretary:

Tim Ruh nominated Robin O'Malley as secretary. Jim Lacey seconded. Vote 7-0

#### **School Department:**

- ◆ Carol Jacobs came and explained her FY08 budget.
- ♦ Some changes were made to the FY08 budget.
- There has been some basic changes to how she has realigned some day to day operations, such as grant writing.
- Reviewed school choice and special education costs and circuit breaker is calculated.

#### **Negotiations:**

To have someone sitting in on contract negotiations the unions and the town/school would have to allow a finance committee member sitting in on the negotiations. We would like the school department to consider letting a finance committee member sit in on the negotiations or at the least sit in on the front end meeting.

#### **Energy Committee:**

♦ Jonathan Goldfield will be the third member of the energy committee. Reg Tardif and Wayne Snow are the other two members.

## Things to look into:

- ♦ Revenue Committee
- ♦ Strategic plan is needed for the town
- Management letter should be addressed, whether by Board of Selectmen or Finance and Advisory Board

Motion to adjourn was made by Jon Ayres and seconded by Sandy Gerraughty at 8:30 PM. Motion carried unanimously 7-0.