

**Minutes of the Finance & Advisory Board  
Town of Georgetown  
September 14, 2006**

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

Members in Attendance – Jon Ayers, Jack L’Hommedieu, Robin O’Malley, Tim Ruh, Reggie Tardif, Sandy Gerraughty, Ruth Stewart

Members Absent – Phil Cannon and Mike Sweat

Guests Present – Steve Epstein

Minutes taken by Tim Ruh

Meeting called to Order at 7:02 PM

Items Discussed:

1. Discussed the on-going meeting dates and all agreed that 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday should be the targeted date each month.
2. School Spending at the end of the year -  
Reggie answered some of the questions that were posed in previous meetings regarding last minute school spending. Jack stated that he believes the problem stems from the fact that the Town School Budget is a “One-line” item. He would like to see the 08 budget broken down in further detail. Steve Epstein interjected that he believes that the Education Reform Act gave towns the ability to have a “one line” school budget.
3. Past Finance Committee reports from years past -  
Jon Ayres gave the members past finance committee reports including the report of 1969, 1972, and 1977. Jon would like the Board to read these reports and have our upcoming reports to read more like these historical documents.
4. Meeting with CIP, Finance Advisory Board, Selectmen and School Committee – Board agreed to have Reggie request a meeting to discuss:
  - a. Fall Meeting topics
  - b. Goals and expectations of 08 Budget preparation including the inter-workings of the various committees.
  - c. Run by the Selectmen

Sandy Gerraughty made a motion to have Reggie request such a meeting. Jack L’Hommedieu seconded. Motion carried unanimously 7-0.

5. Reggie stated that Phil was out of pocket some funds for making copies of the June school vouchers. Reggie will speak to Steve Delaney about how to reimburse Phil for these funds.
6. Letter from Highway department – Reggie received a letter from John Moultrie of the Highway department. This letter outlines the condition of the current vehicle used by

John and options of repair/replacement. Board recommended that Option 1 be followed and Reggie to communicate that to John.

7. Communication – Web-site development - Jon Ayres stated that he met with the people responsible for the Georgetown cable web-site and that they could create links, biographies, means to have community members contact the Board, designate mailbox owners, etc.

Motion was made by Robin O'Malley to have Jon continue his work pursuing a Finance and Advisory Board web-site. Motion was seconded by Sandy Gerraughty. Motion carried unanimously 7-0.

8. Letter was received from Board of Assessors – Board decided to review the contents of that letter when Steve would be present at the 9/20 meeting.
9. Sandy stated that it would be a good idea to have set goals and objectives for our Board. To be discussed further at our 9/20 meeting.
10. Motion to adjourn was made by Ruth Stewart and seconded by Sandy Gerraughty. Vote 7-0 all in favor.