

# Finance Committee Town of Halifax 499 Plymouth St. Halifax, MA 02338

# Meeting Notes Monday, January 7, 2013

	Gordon	Peter	Karen	Margaret	Paul	Nikki
	Andrews	Beals	Fava	(Peg)	Weckbacher	Newton
				Fitzgerald		
Present	✓		✓	✓		✓

Others in Attendance: Kendra Kelly, Finance Committee Secretary; Sandy Nolan, Town Accountant; Charlie Seelig, Town Administrator;

Meeting called to order by Gordon Andrews at 7:10pm

#### Mail

Wage and Personnel sent a memo that there will be a Public Hearing for the Wage and Personnel Bylaw Amendments on January 26, 2013 at 6:30pm. Any amendments are due by January 8, 2013.

Charlie sent out a memo regarding Ethics Training to be held on January 27, 2013 at 2pm and 7pm. Online components have changed. A link is available. Karen Fava is attending the 7pm session. Kendra Kelly will attend the 2pm session.

#### Reserve Fund Transfer

A Reserve Fund Transfer was received from Gerry Elliott in the amount of 9,700.60 to be transferred to Town Building Expense 197 for emergency generator repair at the Town Barn. Currently there are no funds in the Building Expense 646 Account to cover the repair. This is the only backup power the Town has in the event of a storm. Peg Fitzgerald made a motion to approve 9,700.60 to Town Building Expense 197. Seconded by Nikki Newton. Motion passed unanimously.

## Silver Lake Budget Discussion

Per Gordon, the Silver Lake Budget is currently increasing by 6.13%. There is a lot of money slated for Technology improvements. They would like to replace 2 personnel and hire a Curriculum Coordinator. There are 2 new Sped kids coming in that need Full Time Aids. It sounds like the kids are already in the Elementary system but are moving up. Is the cost of the Aids now distributed and not applied just to the town that they live in? Halifax will have a full percent increase just to start off as our percentage attending Silver Lake has grown sizably this year.

## **HES Budget**

Gordon will be meeting with Chair Lisa Gilbert on January 14, 2013 at 6:30 to hear the proposed HES budget.

### Finance Committee Vacancies

Paul Weckbacher is resigning effective immediately. He has just been given additional responsibilities at work that make him unavailable for meetings.

Stu Hall is scheduled to come in and talk to Fin Comm on January 14, 2013. If he joins the board we will need to reorganize at the next meeting.

Kendra will put an ad on Facebook Halifax Local Site to advise of the openings.

Karen Fava made a motion to adjourn to the joint Fin Comm Meeting at 7:30pm. Seconded by Gordon Andrews. Motion passed unanimously.

Nikki Newton	
Corresponding Clerk	