FINCOM Meeting Minutes – October 29, 2014

Members Present: Alice, Rudy, Don, Bruce, Heidi, Laura, John, Alan Not Present: Steve Others: Fire Chief Sicard Location: Cronin Auditorium

Alice opened the meeting at 6:40PM.

Special Town Meeting Article 7–Refurbish Fire Truck--Fire Chief Sicard updated the committee on the options he is pursuing to repair, or potentially replace, the pumper truck that has a rusted and cracked frame. He has verbal repair estimates ranging from \$110,000 from Pierce (the truck manufacturer) to \$275,000 from FleetMaster (their current truck maintenance company). Chief Sicard believes this repair could be covered under warrantee and our Town Counsel has recently joined the discussion with the manufacturer. A new truck would cost about \$475,000 and would require leadtime of between 6 and 9 months to order and receive.

None of the various options have been documented in writing so the committee concluded it was premature for us to recommend the best course of action. It is expected that this article will be withdrawn at the Town Meeting.

Special Town Meeting Article 4—**Report of the Board of Selectmen, Town Hall**--Regarding the BOS Plan 1b for the repair, restoration and renovation of Town Hall that will be presented at Town Meeting, the Finance Committee voted unanimously to support the BOS recommended next steps.

Our next regularly scheduled meeting will be at 7PM on November 5.

The meeting adjourned at 7:03 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

John W. Seeley, Secretary