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Town of Medway FINANCE COMMITTEE

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Meeting Minutes -- November 14, 2011 Medway High School – Room 113-A

Present: Chairman Martin Dietrich, Vice Chairman Jeff O'Neill; Members: Christine Devine, Kevin Dickie, Neil Kennedy, Frank Rossi, and Jim Sheehan.

Absent: Chris Lagan and Tony Pacholec.

Also Present: Barbara Saint Andre, Town Counsel.

There being a quorum present, Chairman Dietrich called the meeting to order at 6:44 pm.

In order to prepare for this meeting, the Committee reviewed a document entitled "2011 Fall Town Meeting Motions" as prepared by the Town Administrator's and approved by Town Counsel.

Final Discussion – Fall Town Meeting Warrant Articles:

<u>Article 3:</u> <u>School Dept. Lease:</u> <u>Solar Power</u>-- The Committee reiterated its concern for the lack of a time limit with regard to Article 3, noting that the lack of time restriction leaves the project open-ended. The Committee still needed to vote its recommendation for this Article. Discussion followed.

Ms. Barbara Saint Andre, Town Counsel, was available to review proposed wording for a motion, should the Committee choose to draft one. After some discussion, the following motion was drafted (new wording in **bold**):

"I move that the Town vote to authorize the School Committee to enter into a lease or other form of contractual relationship for not more than 20 years for the purpose of installing, operating, and maintaining solar power electric generation facilities on the roof of the Burke-Memorial Elementary Schools, and to further authorize the School Committee to lease additional space within the buildings or grounds as necessary for the installation, operation and maintenance of utility lines, cables, conduits, transformers, wires, meters, monitoring equipment and other necessary equipment and appurtenances for said solar power electric generation facilities, upon such terms and conditions as the School

Committee deems in the best interests of the Town, provided that such leases and/or contractual relationship shall not interfere with the educational purposes, programs and uses of any of its school programs, and are subject to the review of Town Counsel, **and provided that such lease is entered into within 180 days of this Town Meeting vote**, or to take any other action relative thereto."

Assignment of Motions – Fall Town Meeting:

The Committee discussed motion assignments with the following results:

Article 1 – Jeff O'Neill Article 2 -- Christine Devine Article 3 – Martin Dietrich Article 4 – Jim Sheehan Article 5 – Kevin Dickie Article 6 – Frank Rossi Article 7 – Neil Kennedy Article 8 – Jeff O'Neill Article 9 – Christine Devine Article 10 – Martin Dietrich Article 11 – Jim Sheehan Article 12 – Kevin Dickie Article 13 – Frank Rossi Article 14 - Neil Kennedy Article 15 – Jeff O'Neill Article 16 – Christine Devine Article 17 – Martin Dietrich Article 18 – Jim Sheehan Article 19 – Kevin Dickie

Next meeting:

The next regular monthly meeting will be Wednesday, December 14, 2011, in Sanford Hall, Town Hall, at 7:00 PM. Chairman Dietrich will send out a request for agenda items by the end of November.

At 6:50 PM Mr. Dickie moved to adjourn; Mr. Kennedy seconded. No discussion. Vote: 7-0-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeanette Galliardt Night Board Secretary