

# FINANCE COMMITTEE MINUTES

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May 28, 2009

A meeting of the Orleans Finance Committee was held in the Town Hall Nauset Room in Orleans. Present were Walter Bennett, Mark Fiegel, Dale Fuller, Laurence Hayward, John Hodgson, Peter Monger, Paul Rooker and Rick Sigel. Walter Bennett called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

## **Approval of Minutes**

A motion to approve the minutes of the May 7, 2009 meeting was made and seconded. They were approved 7-0-1. (Mr. Fiegel)

A motion to approve the minutes of the May 11, 2009 meeting was made and seconded. They were approved 8-0-0.

#### **New Business**

- Mr. Bennett presented the request for additional funds to cover the \$29,388 shortfall in the Employee Health and Medicare budget. – Mr. Fiegel moved to approve, Mr. Hayward seconded. The motion was approved 8-0-0
- Mr. Fuller and Mr. Hayward discussed the Bond issuing process used by the town.
- Mr. Bennett and Mr. Fiegel reviewed the information available and the current cost estimates for the Wastewater/Sewering project. Mr. Bennett asked the committee to be ready to discuss the steps needed to decrease the financial risk and the information needed for the committee to reach an opinion to present to the town.
- Mr. Bennett commented on the need to do more education on the intricacies of the town budget in advance of the next town meeting. All agreed.
- Mr. Monger discussed a proposal that the town advocate the creation of a tourist attraction centered on evaporative salt making.

## **Board of Selectmen Reports:**

Mr. Sigel reported on the May 20 meeting.

Mr. Bennett reported on the May 27 meeting.

# **Committee and Department Reports:**

Mr. Sigel reported on the Biking and Walkways committee.

Mr. Fuller reported on the Board of Health.

On a motion duly made and seconded (8-0-0), the meeting was adjourned at 9:02 PM.

Respectfully submitted

Dale Fuller

**Recording Secretary**