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## FINANCE COMMITTEE MINUTES

The April 5, 2012 meeting of the Orleans Finance Committee (FinCom) was convened by Chairman Ms. Gwen Holden-Kelly at 7:00 p.m. in the Nauset Room of the Orleans' Town Hall. Present constituting a quorum were Members Mr. Mark Carron, Mr. Dale Fuller, Mr. John Hodgson, Mr. Rick Sigel, and Mr. William Weil. Members absent were Mr. Ed Barr, Mr. Larry Hayward and Mr. Paul Rooker.

### **Guests:**

None

### **Public Comment**

None

### **Review of Handouts 00:31 on Video Tape**

Chairman Ms. Holden-Kelly supplied the latest draft copies of the Warrants and Financial Plan Chart, Orleans Chamber of Commerce FY13 detail expense budget breakdown, and a draft copy of the FY 2012 FinCom Annual Report.

### **Approval of Minutes 3:37 on Video Tape**

**On a motion made by Mr. Weil, seconded by Mr. Carron, the minutes of the March 29th Finance Committee meeting was approved 5-0-1 with Mr. Sigel abstaining.**

### **FY13 Warrant and Budget Reviews 4:13 on Video Tape**

**On a motion made by Mr. Carron, seconded by Mr. Hodgson, the warrant article to fund the OES Playground in the amount of \$215,000 was approved 6-0-0.**

**On a motion made by Mr. Carron, seconded by Mr. D. Fuller, the warrant article to Adopt the MGL Chapter 44 Section 53 ½ Revolving Accounts was approved 5-1-0 with Mr. Hodgson being against.**

Since the committee still has outstanding questions and there is no written summary pertaining to the Building and Facility Stabilization Fund Article, it was decided to hold off voting on this article until the Annual Town Meeting.

**On a motion made by Mr. Carron, seconded by Mr. Weil, the warrant article to fund the Orleans Chamber of Commerce in the amount of \$20,450 was approved 6-0-0.**



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**On a motion made by Mr. Carron, seconded by Mr. Weil, the warrant article to fund the Human Services Agencies in the amount of \$63,163 was approved 6-0-0.**

The article to create a Water Department demand fee in the amount of \$10 was put on hold until the public hearing has been completed.

A discussion concerning the purchase of two new motors for the newly acquired Fire Department boat was had. The main concern the committee had was that there was no pre-planning to replace an existing 19" Mako boat. The committee felt that an inquiry to share the expenses to make this boat operational by other towns within the Mutual Aid Group should be pursued. Also that the boat might be moored at either the Dennis or Wellfleet harbor so that you do not have tidal access restrictions on Cape Cod Bay.

**On a motion made by Mr. Carron, seconded by Mr. D. Fuller, the warrant article to fund the purchase of two motors and a fire pump for the Fire Department newly acquired boat in the amount of \$36,000 was not approved 0-6-0.**

There were discussions concerning the lease arrangements on the Nauset Beach Concession. **On a motion made by Mr. Sigel, seconded by Mr. D. Fuller, the warrant article to Authorize the Lease of Nauset Beach Concession Stand was approved 5-1-0 with Mr. Carron against.**

**On a motion made by Mr. Carron, seconded by Mr. Weil, the warrant article to amend the IMA re: OPED for Tri-Town employees was approved 6-0-0.**

Voting on the article to Authorize Intergovernmental Agreements for Renewable Energy and the special article to Authorize an RFP for Solar Energy Projects was put on hold until we meet with the Renewable Energy Committee.

**On a motion made by Mr. Carron, seconded by Mr. Weil, the special article to transfer Police Department available funds to the Police Department Overtime Account in the amount of \$28,500 was approved 6-0-0.**

Discussion concerning the overtime issues with the Fire Department ensued and it was agreed that the study to review the operation of the department will help us better understand the issues. **On a motion made by Mr. Carron, seconded by Mr. Weil, the special article to transfer Fire Department available funds (\$9,000) and Ambulance Receipts Reserve For Appropriation Account funds (\$60,000) to the Fire Department Overtime Account in the amount of \$69,000 was approved 6-0-0.**

**On a motion made by Mr. Hodgson, seconded by Mr. Carron, the article to fund the Rock Harbor Dredging Permit and Design in the amount of \$25,000 was approved 6-0-0.** It was noted that Eastham would be sharing the cost (50%) of the total amount of \$50,000.



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FinCom will vote on the Town/School budget and the Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) at the Annual Town meeting after seeing the final wording and written summary of the CIP article. Discussions of the articles will occur at a future meeting.

### **Review FinCom Annual Report:** *118:42 on Video Tape*

The committee reviewed the draft copy of FinCom's annual report to the town and other than some typos and the paragraph concerning the unfunded liabilities amount should include the unfunded amount for benefits. It was agreed that Ms. Holden-Kelly and Mr. D. Fuller had done a very nice job in authoring the report. Ms. Holden-Kelly stated as soon as she receives the final financial figures she will update them in the report.

### **Adjournment:** *133:47 on Video Tape*

**There being no further business before the committee the meeting was adjourned at 9:14p.m.**

Respectfully submitted

William Weil  
Secretary

### **Next Meeting:**

*FinCom meeting April 12, 2012 at 7:00 pm in the Nauset Room at the Town Office Building.*



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### **Follow-Up Items**

- Discussion of adequacy of existing business management resources in Fire Department and consideration of possible FinCom recommendation to the Board of Selectmen on this issue
- Chief Quinn – report on Brewster’s use of a new ambulance using an existing box
- Better understanding of the flow of income generated by fees.
- Review merits of staying involved in the Old Kings Highway Historical District
- Financial concerns with vehicle and equipment replacement list
- Discussion of possible FinCom recommendation to the Board of Selectmen regarding filling position of Water Superintendent
- Turn back issue averages \$500,000
- Tour the Water Facility
- Administration Costs for the OES