MINUTES OF TOWN OF SEEKONK FINANCE COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING March 10, 2015

PRESENT:

Robert Richardson, Chairperson Myrna Gagnon-Elderkin David Saad Karen Perkins

Director of Finance: Bruce Alexander

Mr. Richardson called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m.

Minutes

The committee reviewed the minutes of February 10, 2015

Moved approval of minutes of February 10, 2015, Ms. Perkins, second Ms. Gagnon-Elderkin (4-0)

Charter Amendment

Committee reviewed the proposed Finance Committee section of the Town Charter, discussion of alternatives took place. Mr. Saad moved that the amendment changing members for seven to five be submitted, second Ms. Gagnon-Elderkin (4-0).

Questions for Seekonk School Department

The Committee discussed what information would be requested from the Seekonk School Department in preparation of budget review.

- Personnel and transfers should be explained.
- Central office employees need to be explained
- Breakdown of employees by building requested
- o Grant funded positions and projected retirements projected.

The Committee reviewed the enrollment and per pupil costs data from the DESE, discussion continued, no action taken

FY 2016 Budget

Mr. Alexander presented a draft of the FY 2016 budget, revenue estimates were discussed. Committee discussed how they would like to proceed. Three departments invited to present at next meeting. No action needed at this time.

Reserve Fund Advisory

Mr. Alexander reviewed the Reserve Fund Advisory from the Planning Board advising of possible need for funds for a consultant to review plans in the absence of the Planner. No action needed at this time.

Next Meeting

Tuesday, April 7, 2015 @ 6:30 p.m., Town Hall Meeting Room

Moved recess, Ms. Gagnon-Elderkin, second Ms. Perkins (4-0) 7:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Myrna Gagnon-Elderkin, Clerk