

## MINUTES OF MEETING OF WAREHAM FINANCE COMMITTEE

Date of Meeting:     October 3, 2012

### **I.     CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 6:31 P.M.

### **II.    ROLL CALL**

Members Present:     Donna Bronk, Chairman  
                            Frank Heath, Vice Chairman  
                            Larry McDonald, Clerk  
                            Tom Worthen  
                            David Trudell  
                            Bonnie Cottuli (Arrived at 6:33 P.M.)  
                            Dominic Cammarano (Arrived at 6:33 P.M.)  
                            Marilyn Donahue (Arrived at 6:44 P.M.)

Member Absent:       Sam Gray

**NOTE:**           The meeting proceeded w/ item IV. Business – 2.  
**Discussion/presentation re: Article 7.**

Present before the FinCom:   Nicole Nault  
  Charlemya Erasme

Miss Nault stated she & Miss Erasme have started a petition re: a new roof for the High School gym. They submitted a packet of information to the FinCom members. (Attached as reference).

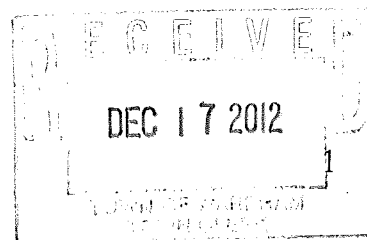
**NOTE:**           Ms. Cottuli & Mr. Cammarano arrived at this time.

Miss Nault & Miss Erasme asked for the FinCom's positive consideration for Article 7 – High School Gym Roof.

### **III.   CITIZENS PARTICIPATION**

Present before the FinCom:   Chief Richard Stanley, Wareham Police Dept.  
  Jen Smith, Wareham Police Union Attorney

Chief Stanley stated he is present this evening to discuss the Quinn Bill Sub-Committee that was formed by the FinCom. He stated he has never heard of a committee being formed to go after a benefit (Quinn Bill).



Ms. Bronk explained the sub-committee was formed based on a court order that came out recently. She stated in 1974, Town Meeting decided to adopt the Quinn Bill which meant the Town would match the State's contributions. She stated in 2009, the State stopped paying its portion of the "Quinn Bill" & the Town has since paid the total amount (Town's portion & the State's portion). She stated it is the FinCom's job to look at the Town's financial situation & financial matters that impact the Town.

Mr. Heath explained the reason for the formation of the sub-committee was to gather appropriate information & speak to legal counsel if necessary.

Mr. Heath spoke re: the history of the Quinn Bill & the State's share of paying for this. He stated the State has stopped funding their portion. He stated it was found that the Town is only obligated to pay the Town's share. He discussed the Supreme Court's decision re: towns are not obligated to pay the State's share. He indicated the Town has already paid two years worth of the State's share. He noted the Town is still obligated for \$202,000.00, but the BOS has no authority to issue payroll cash based on the Supreme Court's decision.

Mr. Heath stated the Quinn Bill is not a negotiated item. He feels the BOS may be violating State law as of January. He stated the DOR is very unhappy w/ the Town's financial situation. He expressed the need to make sure the BOS are following the law.

**NOTE:** Ms. Donahue arrived at this time.

Chief Stanley expressed frustration at this situation & stated it is causing a morale problem w/ his officers.

Mr. Heath stated the Town is paying money it should not be paying. He explained the FinCom's job is to advise Town Meeting of its budgetary process & there is a situation where money is being spent without it being properly appropriated. He noted this issue has been discussed by the FinCom for two years. The discussions have been televised, he has spoken to the Chief in person, and no-one has come forward until now. He also noted that educational incentives may still be on the table for negotiation, but the Quinn Bill is not, based on the Supreme Court ruling. He stated the Town may set a precedent that cannot be reversed (paying the total amount of the Quinn Bill).

Chief Stanley stated if he knew there had been a committee formed for this matter, he would have come forward to be a part of it as well as having union representation present.

Ms. Bronk stated the FinCom wants to make sure things are being done correctly fiscally. She stated it is not the FinCom's decision to make, but it is the Town's decision. Chief Stanley stated he was unaware that this committee had been formed.

Ms. Donahue doesn't feel this is the forum to discuss union issues. She explained that the sub-committee as a "fact-finding" committee. She stated this issue has been

discussed by the FinCom since the State stopped paying their share. She feels the State should be approached re: this issue, not the FinCom. She explained that the FinCom is not a decision making body. She stated the FinCom will make a recommendation to the BOS & the matter will go from there. She noted that the sub-committee looked at the history & the legality of this matter.

Mr. McDonald stated all the information the sub-committee provided is public information. He discussed the charge of the FinCom & noted the FinCom is not a decision making party.

Mr. Cammarano asked if the sub-committee report has been submitted to the BOS yet. Ms. Bronk stated it has not. Mr. Cammarano feels employees whose pay will be affected by any changes to the Quinn Bill should have been given the opportunity for input. Ms. Bronk explained again that the FinCom is an advisory board only.

Mr. Trudell stated when the process started re: the sub-committee, most of the FinCom were in the dark re: State funding, the Quinn Bill contents, etc. He explained that the sub-committee was only looking for the facts. He stated this information will be forwarded to the BOS & what the BOS does with this information is up to them & it is up to the BOS to take any action. He reiterated what was already stated; the FinCom is only an advisory body to Town Meeting.

Attorney Smith explained that whatever the Town initially voted or bargained with, the language is in the contracts state the Town is obligated for 100%, unless contracts are negotiated differently. She discussed the Supreme Court's decision. She explained the Town has bargained to pay the whole obligation under the 150E Statute until an agreement is made to change the agreement. She doesn't know if the FinCom will be writing a letter/report to the BOS that contains erroneous information. Mr. Heath stated Town Counsel's advice was sought on this matter & he stated Town Counsel has a different opinion (vs. Attorney Smith's).

Mr. Heath again imparted that the Town is under the microscope re: fiscal matters. He stated the budget is due in 45 days & there is a need to know where this matter stands. He stated that the FinCom saw that this matter was not being addressed & that is another reason the sub-committee was formed. He stated the sub-committee meetings were public, they were recorded on video, etc. to get the word out.

**NOTE:** Mr. Worthen asked Chief Stanley re: Article 4 – Police Transfers. Mr. Worthen asked what the equipment repairs for \$2,500 are. Chief Stanley stated it is for the electronic gate at the Onset Pier. He stated this money is always taken out of the Parking Meter Account.

**NOTE:** Chief Stanley departed at this time.

The meeting proceeded w/ item IV. Business – 3. Reconsideration of votes on any other articles.

## Article 20 – CPC: Preservation & Restoration of Old Town Offices

Mr. McDonald stated he has heard that WCTV may be moving out of this building. Mr. Worthen stated he is on the WCTV Board & he stated if any moves are to be made, the earliest this will be done is in 2015.

Ms. Cottuli stated regardless of if WCTV occupies this building or not, it is a Town building & it needs to be maintained. She feels fixing up this building is a proper use of CPC monies.

Mr. Trudell stated the Town has a desperate need to upkeep & maintain Town buildings.

Mr. Heath stated when something, for example, a building is under Historic Preservation, it raises the amount of maintenance. He explained that information has come forward that there may not be a historic district (in the area where the Old Town Hall is located) per legal counsel & the Old Town Hall building was never recorded at the Registry of Deeds as historic. Mr. McDonald stated the recording of restrictions on deeds usually is not recorded. He stated it would be on the State historic register. Mr. Heath stated this building has not been registered w/ the State as historic. He noted Town Counsel is still looking into this matter. Discussion ensued.

Ms. Donahue feels before the FinCom does anything with this, there is a need to have this matter figured out. She briefly discussed why historic districts were implemented.

Mr. Heath stated there is also an issue of what CPC monies can be utilized for & if there is a question of if this building is historic or not & CPC monies are utilized, the Town may find itself in a position of having to repay this money if used for historic preservation & the building is not historic.

**MOTION: Mr. Trudell moved to reconsider Article 20 of the 2012 Fall Town Meeting Warrant. Mr. McDonald seconded for discussion.**

Ms. Donahue again suggested the FinCom wait for reconsideration until prior to Town Meeting when more information will be known.

Mr. Trudell stated enough doubt has been raised to make this article faulty. He stated the FinCom owes it to Town Meeting to inform them that there may be an issue. Ms. Donahue feels the FinCom owes it to the Town to have this building painted. She noted it has been an eyesore for quite a while. She stated there is a bigger issue re: the historic districts being registered or not vs. \$50,000.00 to paint a building. Discussion ensued.

Ms. Cottuli stated money is being granted for “historic preservation.” She stated the Town doesn’t have the money to fix this building. She stated she is a big advocate of utilizing CPC monies to fix Town buildings if they fall under CPC guidelines.

**VOTE: (4-4-0)**

**Mr. Cammarano, Ms. Cottuli, Ms. Donahue, & Ms. Bronk opposed  
(The reconsideration motion failed)**

Mr. Heath stated the FinCom needs to be voting based on actual facts & on legal basis, not feelings, feel goods, etc.

Mr. Cammarano stated that there is a need to prove something is being done wrong, but that information is not known yet. Ms. Donahue concurred.

Ms. Donahue stated the FinCom can change their vote up to before Town Meeting if more information comes forward.

**IV. BUSINESS**

**A. Vote on Fall Town Meeting Warrant Articles.**

**1. Articles 1,2,3,6,11, & 15.**

Present before the FinCom: Derek Sullivan, Interim Town Administrator

Article 1 – Budget Amendments

Article 2 – FY2013 Capital Plan

Article 3 – Fund Capital Plan

Mr. Sullivan distributed documentation to the FinCom re: Articles 1, 2, & 3. (Attached as reference).

Mr. Sullivan discussed Article 1. He noted that the GATRA service will be expanding Saturday hours & weekday hours. He spoke re: the need for a new proposed COA position. He stated this position is needed to oversee the GATRA program as well as other responsibilities. He stated this position will be a full-time benefit position.

**MOTION: Mr. McDonald moved Favorable Action on Article 1 of the 2012 Fall Town Meeting Warrant. Mr. Cammarano seconded.**

**VOTE: Unanimous (8-0-0)**

Mr. Sullivan discussed Article 2. He stated he has asked bond counsel if the Town can bond for used vehicles. The answer from bond counsel was if the useful life of the vehicle was five years or more than the Town can bond for used vehicles.

Mr. Sullivan stated there has been a change re: the request for defibrillators for the police. The request is now for 20 defibrillators. The request for library carpeting & another used vehicle have been deleted.

Ms. Bronk asked if the Capital Planning Committee is on board with these capital requests. Mr. Sullivan stated the Capital Planning Committee has not yet voted on these requests. Mr. Heath stated there was a lengthy discussion by the Capital Planning Committee relative to the Capital Plan. The consensus of the committee was that 12 defibrillators would be more appropriate, but the committee agreed w/ the Interim Town Administrator bringing this request forward. Mr. Sullivan added that 20 defibrillators would mean one defibrillator for every police vehicle.

Mr. Sullivan stated he would like to vote each capital request separately at Town Meeting, but the Moderator will have to make a determination on this. Discussion ensued.

Discussion ensued re: if the defibrillators qualify as capital items & liability issues.

**MOTION: Ms. Cottuli moved Favorable Action on Article 2 of the 2012 Fall Town Meeting Warrant. Mr. Cammarano seconded.**

**VOTE: (4-1-3)**

**Mr. Worthen opposed**

**Mr. Trudell, Mr. Heath, & Ms. Bronk abstained**

Mr. Sullivan discussed Article 3. He discussed the plan to fund the Capital Plan. He explained that payment of funds would come into the FY2014 budget & will fall under the debt service line. He stated there would be a five-year bond at a 2.5% interest rate (which would be a State House loan). He stated money from the Stabilization Fund will not be transferred for these items. Discussion ensued.

Mr. Heath expressed concern re: pushing payments off to FY2014.

Mr. Heath spoke re: school buses. He informed the FinCom that a meeting was held to discuss refurbishing of buses. He stated there is a possibility of refurbishing the bodies of some of the buses. This possibility is being worked on aggressively.

**MOTION: Mr. McDonald moved Favorable Action on Article 3 of the 2012 Fall Town Meeting Warrant as presented. Mr. Heath seconded.**

**VOTE: (7-1-0)**

**Mr. Worthen opposed**

Article 6 – McKinney-Vento Homeless Student Transportation

Mr. Sullivan stated if the certified number is not received by DESI by Town Meeting & the Town accepts this article, there will be a problem setting the tax rate.

Mr. Trudell suggested waiting to take action on this article until the last minute since the Interim Town Administrator has a concern.

Ms. Cottuli feels the FinCom should vote to abstain, but in the FinCom's recommendation it should state why the FinCom has abstained from voting (based on what the Interim Town Administrator has stated).

Mr. McDonald stated a recommendation should be prepared that explains both sides & then vote on the article prior to Town Meeting.

Mr. Trudell stated there is merit to both sides, but if the FinCom abstains from voting, it may seem that the FinCom is also concerned. He is not comfortable with this.

Mr. Heath & Ms. Bronk stated they are in favor of abstaining from voting.

**MOTION: Ms. Cottuli moved Favorable Action on Article 6 of the 2012 Fall Town Meeting Warrant. Mr. Cammarano seconded.**

**VOTE: (0-0-8)**

Article 11 – Transfer to Harbors/Beaches Maintenance Account

Ms. Bronk stated this is a legal use of these funds from the Harbors/Beaches Maintenance Account for the maintenance of beaches.

Mr. Trudell stated the issue some FinCom members had were they had asked Mr. Gifford questions re: the breakdown of uses for these funds, but they have received no reply.

Present before the FinCom: Selectmen Slavin

Selectman Slavin stated he received this information from Mr. Gifford & the total amount is \$61,000.00.

Mr. Trudell stated he would like numbers from July, August, & September. He doesn't feel the FinCom has a satisfactory answer. It was noted that this article was pulled last year. Discussion ensued.

Mr. Trudell noted that the Municipal Maintenance Dept. is conducting the beach maintenance.

Lengthy discussion ensued re: how to proceed.

**MOTION: Mr. McDonald moved Favorable Action on Article 11 of the 2012 Fall Town Meeting Warrant. Mr. Trudell seconded.**

**VOTE: (3-2-3)**

**Ms. Cottuli & Ms. Donahue opposed  
Ms. Bronk, Mr. Trudell, & Mr. Heath opposed**

**MOTION:** Mr. McDonald moved to reconsider Article 11 of the 2012 Fall Town Meeting Warrant. Mr. Cammarano seconded.

**VOTE: (7-1-0)**  
**Mr. Trudell opposed**

Ms. Bronk stated she wishes to change her vote. Discussion ensued.

Mr. Heath stated this matter could be handled in the spring.

**MOTION:** Ms. Cottuli moved Favorable Action on Article 11 of the 2012 Fall Town Meeting Warrant. Mr. Cammarano seconded.

**VOTE: (3-3-2)**  
**Ms. Donahue, Ms. Bronk, & Ms. Cottuli opposed**  
**Mr. Heath & Mr. Trudell abstained**

Article 15 – FY2012 Unpaid Bills

Mr. Sullivan stated that the first Woodard & Curran bill has been paid already.

**MOTION:** Ms. Cottuli moved Favorable Action on Article 15 of the 2012 Fall Town Meeting Warrant. Mr. McDonald seconded.

**VOTE: (6-0-2)**  
**Mr. Cammarano & Mr. Heath abstained**

2. Discussion/presentation re: Article 7. (DONE)
3. Reconsideration of votes on any other articles. (DONE)

**B. Review Warrant Deadlines.**

1. Last day for FinCom to vote on articles: October 3, 2012.
2. Last day to submit Fincom recommendations to Kelly: October 5, 2012.
3. Warrant to printer: October 9, 2012.

**NOTE:** The meeting proceeded w/ item VIII. New Business (Unanticipated Items).

Ms. Bronk stated the FinCom still has not received any financial documentation. She has told Mr. Sullivan she is very dis-satisfied with this matter. She stated the FinCom has received no financial information & there doesn't seem to be any financial information for Town Meeting. Mr. Sullivan noted that on October 23, 2012, financials will be presented to the BOS.

**V. ANY OTHER BUSINESS/DISCUSSION**

**A. Review Quinn Bill Committee Letter.**

Mr. McDonald read the letter from the FinCom to the BOS re: the Quinn Bill into the record. (Attached as reference).

**MOTION:** Mr. Heath moved the FinCom accept the letter re: the Quinn Bill as written & moved to forward said letter to the BOS. Ms. Cottuli seconded.

**VOTE: Unanimous (8-0-0)**

**VI. LIAISON REPORTS**

There were no liaison reports.

**VII. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES: SEPTEMBER 26, 2012**

**MOTION:** Mr. Trudell moved to approve the meeting minutes of September 26, 2012. Ms. Donahue seconded.

**VOTE: Unanimous (8-0-0)**

**VIII. NEW BUSINESS (UNANTICIPATED ITEMS)**

Mr. Heath gave an update on Article 24 – Transfer of Hammond School. He stated the Town is still waiting for information re: questions of ownership & maintenance responsibility as well as the deed. It still is not known if there are restrictions on the deed or how the property was acquired.

**IX. NEXT MEETING DATE & TIME**

The next meeting date & time was not discussed.

**X. ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION:** Mr. McDonald moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:05 P.M. Ms. Cottuli seconded.

**VOTE: Unanimous (8-0-0)**

Respectfully submitted,

Kelly Barrasso  
Kelly Barrasso, Transcriptionist

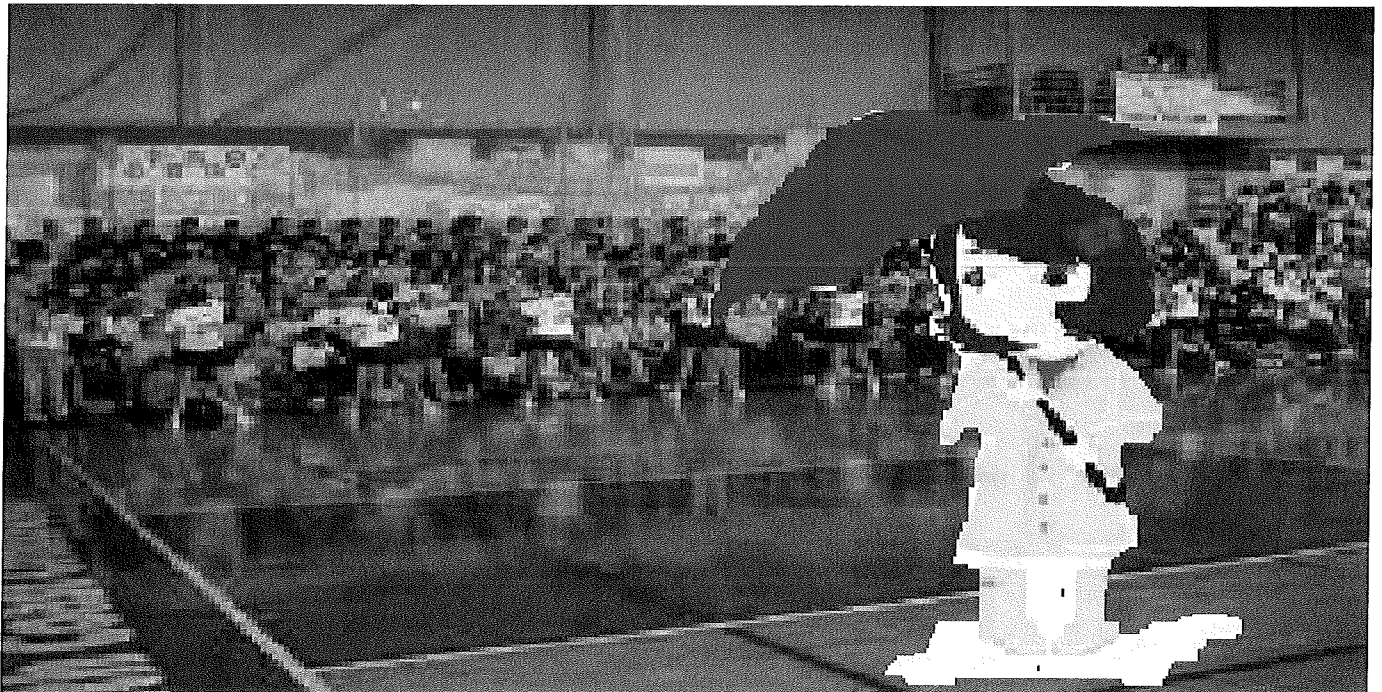
Date signed: 11/28/12

Attest: Larry McDonald (K13)  
Larry McDonald, Clerk  
WAREHAM FINANCE COMMITTEE

Date copy sent to Town Clerk: 12/18/12

# STUDENT PETITION

“I, as a student of Wareham Senior High School, am requesting a new roof for the school gymnasium.”



By:

Nicole Nault & Charlemya Erasme

October 2012

# OUTLINE

## INTRO

We are Nicole Nault and Charlemya Erasme and we are juniors at Wareham Senior High School. We have organized a student petition for a new roof for the high school gymnasium. As students, having a gym roof that doesn't leak is very important to us. The problems with the gym roof affect all the students at our school.

## OUR PETITION

We have been asking the students of Wareham High to sign our petition, and they have all been more than willing to do so. All of the students want a new roof for the gym. We have already gotten 230 students to sign our petition, and we are hoping to get a lot more before the town votes on the matter at the town meeting.

## REASONS

There are a lot of reasons why a new roof for the gym is important to us as students. Some reasons include:

- The continuous leaks may cause mildew and/or mold. This can be a serious health hazard for the students if it is not fixed.
- Indoor sports games are being rained out and changed to away games. The school is spending extra money to provide busses for away games.
- The school custodians worry that if the roof is not repaired soon to stop the leaks, it may cause damage to the floor as well. If the gym roof is not fixed soon, the school may have to pay for a new gym floor eventually too.
- The school is an emergency shelter for the town of Wareham. If there were an emergency, and the gym had too much water damage, it could not be used as a suitable emergency shelter.

## THANK YOU

I hope you'll consider our petition and the opinions of the students. Thank you for your time.

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<u>NAME</u>	<u>STREET NAME</u>	<u>Y.O.G.</u>
Chelsea Voight	<del>Lincoln St</del> Lincoln St	2014
Rachel Avila	<del>W</del> Weepack Lane	2014
Rachel Johnson	Repose Lane	2014
Sarah Just	Lake Shore Drive	2014
Jennifer Annaccolo	Marion Road	2014
Chris White	Douglas Lane	2013
Chris Perry	Nicholas Drive	2016
Tyler Russell	<del>Ab</del> Bluebird Avenue	2013
Wyatt Harink	Upland Road	2013
Hailley Grote	Holly Tree Lane	2013
Kendra Wright	Orange Pond Rd	<del>2014</del> 2014
Brennan Lacourse	Marsh Ave.	2014
Garrett Fillion	Onset Ave	2015
Juan Gomez-Thom	Wedgewood Way	2013
Kayla Huntley	<del>Ch</del> Charlotte Fumacard	2015
Jeff Hassey	State Street	2013
Isaiah Ensona	Winter Street	2014
Saja Omas	<del>Quintanilla</del> Riverside Drive	2016
Caleigh Monteiro	Riverside Drive	
Ricnie Paulino	County Rd	2014
Kyla Lynch	<del>Myas</del> Myas Ct	2014
Austin Costa	Fearing Hall	2014
Carlos DaCosta	Nicholas Drive	2014

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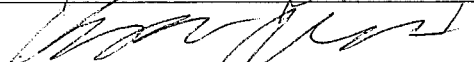
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<u>NAME</u>	<u>STREET NAME</u>	<u>Y.O.G.</u>
Emily Cummings	agawam lake shore drive	2014
marina neubert	228 cromesett rd	2013
Rae-lyn Pina	Weaver st.	2015
Doug Stark	13 camardo dr.	2016
Joshua Childress	<del>11</del> Fourth ave.	2016
Josiah Murphy	Butler St.	2016
Noah Wambolt	Division Ave	2016
Chris Childress	Fourth Ave.	2014
Jared Cowie	charge road rd	2016
Leslie Andrade	36 Swifts beach rd	2016
Jayla Silva	Blackmore Pk. Rd.	2016
Jarren Barbosa	Stanish ave	2016
Andre Coart	Thimbleberry ave	2016
Zach A. Langley	Douglas Ln.	2015
Noah Campinham	6 Birch C.T.	2016
Steven Florinto	Blackbird Ave	2015
Brianna Tavares	Cherry Street	2016
Liyana Miranda	Midway St.	2014
Taylor Mitchell	Swifts beach rd	2014
Jamie McCann	Oak Street	2014
Jacob & Anne Sullivan	<del>11</del> West Street	2013
Alisha Gray	21 Red brooks rd	2014
Annie Hall	12 State St	2013

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<u>NAME</u>	<u>STREET NAME</u>	<u>Y.O.G.</u>
Treavor Rodden	18 Frank Cutler Drive	2014
Byce Spencer-Jones	56 Martin Street	2014
Austin Blahnik	17 Avenue A	2016
Brenden Prott	8 Brown St	2013
Nathan Stann	8 Swifts beach road	2013
TJ Klueber	52 Blissful Ln	2013
Low ENOS	6 Galavotti Ave	2013
China Bigelow	6 Court Street	2015
Cheyenne Andrews	25 Nicholas Drive	2015
Jocelyn DeBarros	2743 Cranberry Hwy	2015
Nicholas Mascarello	14 Madeline Street	2015
Nate Moore	13 Helen Street	2015
Matthew Onigeyo	6 Lisa Lane	2015
Mihayla Sequeira	10 Douglas Lane	2016
Samantha Taggart	13 Second Ave.	2016
Kylie Silva	26 Wareham Ave	2016
Hernanda Herrera	198 Park Ave	2015
Marge Silva	8 Fannies Ln	2016
Devonté Barbosa	2801 Cranberry Highway	2013
(Kim Miller)	High Street	2016
Kiana Campinha	Candle Paper Lane	2015
Sarah Keating	Summer St	2015
	<del>4014</del> 1014 Main	2013

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Anthony Delahanty	Waltham Waltham St	2014
Breanna Muir	Blackmore Pond Rd -	2014
Nicole Terraco	Donald Street	2013
Nesley Fenslens	High Street	2013
Shanice Dixon	thirteenth street	2014
Marian Gomez	Main Street	2014
Kelsey Duffy	Charlotte Furn. Rd	2013
Amber Filkins	Fanning Hill Rd	2014
Emily Barbiocchi	Charge Pond	2014
Kevin Crispin	Barker Road	2014
Mackenzie Cannon	Highland Shores	2014
Zachary Moretti	Helen Street <del>Waltham St</del>	2015
LaTray Harrison	Minnet Ave	2014
Tyler Rankin	18 Terry Lane	2014
Tom Lemax	18 Dicks Way	2013
Gregory Burshaff	Oak Street	2013
Giovanni Pemone	14 Fonseca way	2013
Kerri Som	12 Wedge wood way	2016
Hayley Cinotta	High Street	2016
Ricky Sline	Onset ave	2015
Julius Reese	Woodside avenue	2013
Kelly Fitzgerald	Tremont Center	2014
Amber Greaves	Burgess Point	2014

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Rachel Evans	16 Nicholas Drive	2014
AJ Filkins	Fearing Hill	2013
Eoghan Neely	2 Gurney Street	2015
Johnny King	Minot Ave	
Mike Elmer	2 Charlie Ave	2016
Mike Fanning	8 Division Ave	2013
Thomas [unclear]	3132 Cranberry Hwy	2014
Ryan Bonfiglio	Fourth Ave	2016
Christina Ball	Alice Ave	2014
Pete Smith	Megawseth Drive	2013
Dylan Moore	Rolling Mill Road	2014
Anastasia Kom	Wedge Wood Way	2014
John Thomas	Swifts beach	2016
Thomas Barboza	Parkwood drive	2016
Gregory Pina	Gault Road	2016
Joel DiLimpia	mayflower Ln	2016
Victoria Judd	High Street	2014
Maddison Stahmer	Avenue N	2014
Allison Wallace	High Street	2013
[unclear]	Marion Road	2016
Nadya Murphy	Swift ave.	2015
Mason Vasconcellos	2 Pierceville Rd	2014
Madison Blanchard	Blackmore Pond Rd	2014

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<u>NAME</u>	<u>STREET NAME</u>	<u>Y.O.G.</u>
Kayla Gomes	D'Angelo Road	2014
Kesha G.	482 Raymond Rd.	2014
Claire Starting	Whippertown Way	2015
Tessa Choquette	72 Shore ave	2013
Nicole Johnson	Fall St	2013
Micela Wagner	Present on	2013
LaByzza Cardoza	Highland Ave	2013
Quintin Silveira	40 Pen Hearsh Drive	2013
Sam Brogioli	38 Towhee Rd.	2013
Tyler Amaral	103 Mayflower Ridge Drive	2013
Arthur Mpoke	3 west St	2014
Kate Cunningham	Scranbeth Lane	2015
Jayshawn Morgan	<del>Emma</del> Emma Lane	2015
Griffing Butler	2 Eunice Ave.	2015
Riku Mahar	21 Oceanside Dr	2014
Lucy Dorian	21 Frank Cutler Dr.	2016
Evan Russell	11 Bluebird Ave	2016
Stevy Baptiste	15 Penikese St	2013
Kelsey Berriault	11 Terry Lane West	2015
Sydney Johnson	Main Street	2014
Maulange DePina	Island Brook Dr	2014
Samantha Toal	Peter Cooper Dr.	2014
Jackie Cathcart	Dory Lane	2014

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Anthony Abbott	French Ave	2013
Brett Lebonce	Mather Drive	2013
Cef Bariteau	Hatchery Lane	2014
Owen Braley	Glennwood Circle	2014
Chris <del>more</del>	Bransy Hill	2014
Cole Contois	Mathewson St	2017
LUKE FOLLETT	MAUIFLOWER LANE	2015
Brandi Crispin	Barker road	2016
Paris Pires	holly st	2015
Brandon Frye	Char Ave	2015
Taylor Lavore	Cranberry Hwy	2016
Breana Sykes	Nichols Dr	2016
Shyanne Gavaza	Swifts beach road	2016
Paige Colantonio	Swifts beach road	2016
Josha Bartlett	41 Standish ave	2013
Richard Austin	Linwood Ave	2014
Chris Savory	Trout farm way	2013
Atacia Krzyzek	Sherman St	2013
Zack St. Julien	113 Gibbs ave	2013
Michael Burke	2 Daniel Road	2013
Tyler Ferdinand	49 Wychunas Ave	2013
Scott Harrison	5 Holly Tree Lane	2013
Kaylee Marais	2 D'Angelo Rd	2016

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Christopher Jesus	18 Depot St	2013
Tyler Hugabon	Cromsett	2014
Rachel Pace	38 Taft St.	2013
Larry Wisht	9 Cherry	2014
Jeremy Wilder	18 French Ave	2014
Zachary Monty	537 main street	2016
Shawrence Sewall	1 pierceville rd.	2016
Charles Mugh	Leisure Lane	2013
Jeff Hodge	Sippican road	2013
Cody Stahmer	Avenue A	2013
Gracyn Debnise	Squirrel Island	2013
Angel Rodriguez	Squirrel Island	2013
Tanc	Sandusky drive	2013
Will Boush	Parkwood	2013
Elias Tolan	Stoney Run	2013
Lynne Givens	Whittemore Ave	2014
Michaela B. B. B.	4 Emma Lane	2014
Felicia Blasdyn	Blackmore Pond Rd	2013
Eric M. B.	14 Old Carr Landing Road	2013
Eric Moses	Pinehurst drive	2013
Michael Eddleston	Bethelway	2016
Dylan Campitelli	Taylor	2016
Matthew Tans	Dawd	2016

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Nicole Nault	Helen Street	2014
Elizabeth Linscomb	13 12th Avenue.	2014
Cameron Bamcroft	778 County Road	2014
Brittney St. Germaine	Peter Cooper	2014
Charltemya Erasmus	Nicholas Drive	2014
Catherine D. Dumas	Main Street	2013
Jackie-Lyn Lima	Camp St	2013
Elizabeth St. Germaine	Peter Cooper	2013
Anna Richard	Dinah's Way	2013
Katie McConth	Standish Ave.	2013
Diana Janthore	Willard Street	2013
Madison Sengle	Sycamore St.	2014
Michael McInerney	Vernal St.	2015
Chelsea Anderson	Onset Ave	2013
Emma Wyne	Great Neck Rd	2014
Ashley Teixeira	Forest Way	2014
Caitlyn Berger	Mayflower Lane	2014
John Brand	Fearing Hill road	2014
Hannah Hayward	Norris street	2014
Zachary Sass		2014
Ariel St. Germaine	Peter Cooper	2015
Sarah Gilette	Whittemore Ave	2014
LEXUS Lynch	TRIM + FARM	2014

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Dervin Ramos	Glen Charlie Road	2016
Ilexus Calum	<del>20</del> Hightland Ave	2016
Kristin Monty	<del>20</del> Charge Pond Road	2014
Hartan Murphy	Plymouth Ave	2015
Heather Cleveland	Marion Rd.	2015
Patricia Cooney	Great Neck Rd	2015
Kaylin Cecca	Mayflower Lane	2015
Kalcey Cecca	Mayflower Lane	2015
Sydney Holbrook	Dinans Way	2015
Meghan Silvia	Charge Pond Road	2015
Kaylyn Lecker	Access	2015
Kiah Heron	Blackbird	2016
Michaela Horman	Island Brook Drive	2015
Dustin Hillier	24th	2014
Nicole Russo	Maud Palmer Drive	2015
Rebekka Blanchett	Great Neck Rd	2015
<del>Thomas Cullen</del>	96 Maple Spring	2014
Jess Read	Fellowship Circle	2015
Dayna Barbara	Standish Ave	2015
Jacob Cobb	Glenwood Circle	2014
Denzel Santos	12 State Street	2013
Joseph Martens	4 Elm Street	2014
Nathan King	County Rd.	2014

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TO: Wareham Finance Committee  
FROM: Subcommittee to study police educational incentive benefits  
DATE: 9-26-12

The Finance Committee formed a subcommittee to review the town's responsibilities and obligations with regard to police educational incentive pay/ career incentive pay. Based on our findings, we have determined that the town is only liable for, and therefore is only obligated to pay, the one half of that benefit attributable to the town under Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 41, Section 180L or as otherwise contractually agreed upon.

Mass Gen Laws Chapter 41 Section 108L ("the Quinn Bill") was enacted in 1970 by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to encourage police officers to further their education in criminal justice. The Quinn Bill specifies how compensation is to be earned as a percentage of increased salary in increments of 10%, 20% and 25% based on the officers obtaining an associate's degree (or 60 points toward a baccalaureate degree), a baccalaureate degree, or a master's degree, respectively, under a provision added in 1976. One key component of the statute is reimbursement to municipalities by the state. The statute reads: "***Any city or town which accepts the provisions of this section and provided career incentive salary increase for police officers shall be reimbursed by the commonwealth for one half of the cost of such payments upon certification by the board of higher education.***"

The Town of Wareham voted to adopt the provisions of the Quinn Bill at the town meeting held on September 11, 1974. We have not found any change or amendment on this subject subsequent to that town meeting, and the police contracts currently in effect specifically referenced the motion passed at that meeting.

The current police department budget shows that approximately thirty three officers receive benefits according to the provisions of the Quinn Bill. The total liability to the town for education incentive pay is approximately \$363,200, which includes the state's fifty percent and money for contractual benefits which are outside of the Quinn Bill. The total amount of the town's FY 2013 obligation under the educational incentive benefit, as per the final voted motion at the 1974 Special Town Meeting is approximately \$202,900.

Beginning in 2009, the state stopped reimbursing municipalities the full 50% share as required under the statute. The Town of Wareham has continued to pay officers fully which requires the town to cover the state's portion from the municipal budget. Several Massachusetts cities, including Boston, chose to fund only their half of the obligation plus any reimbursement actually received. Predictably, several law suits ensued.

In March 2012 the Supreme Judicial Court rendered an opinion in the case of Daniel Adams vs. City of Boston (SJC-10861) which found in favor of the City of Boston. This decision paves the way for cities and towns to honor their obligations under the Quinn Bill by paying only the town's share plus any reimbursement monies actually received from the state. In reviewing other communities' responses to this ruling, we noted a variety of different reactions. Some towns have opted to continue paying the full benefit, while others, especially cities with large obligations, are only funding their mandated portion.

Based on Wareham's current fiscal situation, we recommend that Board of Selectmen direct the Interim Town Administrator to stop paying the state's portion of the Quinn Bill benefits effective immediately. The annual savings from the police department budget for this item will be approximately \$160,300.