

## TOWN OF WAYLAND

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> Finance Committee John Bladon Cherry C. Karlson Paul Grasso Dave Gutschenritter Robert L. Lentz Sam H. Peper Richard M. Stack

Finance Committee Meeting Minutes November 2, 2009

The meeting was called at 7:05PM in the Wayland Town Building.

Attendance: C. Karlson, S Peper, R. Stack, J. Bladon, R. Lentz, P. Grasso, D. Gutschenritter (arrived at 7:30 after approval of previous meeting minutes)
Absent: None
Also present: Finance Director, M. DiPietro

Public Comment: None

**Previous Meeting Minutes:** October 19 minutes were changed to reflect FinCom vote to 5-0-2 on Article 9. Article 10 notes changed to reflect withdrawal per the BoS. S. Peper moved and was seconded to approve guidelines for FY 2011 Operating Budget for inclusion on FinCom website. Cherry suggested that the High School debt/tax impact table by year be posted on the FinCom website. S. Peper moved to approve October 19 meeting minutes as amended and was seconded by J. Bladon; motion was voted unanimously approved (6-0).

**Review/Discussion of FinCom article to be submitted to the Town Crier prior to election & Special Town Meeting:** There was an open discussion for comments and edits of the FinCom article in support of the HS debt exclusion, the Town Center MUOD change, and the Meals Tax articles. R. Stack was concerned that the article as written was too lengthy and would appear almost unreadable in newspaper layout. J. Bladon noted several typos and requested that 'Town Center" be consistently capitalized throughout the article. It was agreed that "HSBC" and "MUOD" would be consistently abbreviated. C. Karlson recommended breaking up the second paragraph of the section relating the High School into three paragraphs for easier reading. The mention of the distinction between debt exclusion service expense and operating budget expense in the MUOD section of the article was discussed and clarified. Excess flowery language around the High School article was removed. R. Lentz moved to approve Town Crier article as amended; seconded by D. Gutschenritter. Motion was unanimously approved (7-0).

**Suburban Coalition Liaison:** S. Peper discussed Malcolm Astley's request for FinCom assistance with this group which is focused on securing State aid for suburban towns like Wayland. Sam volunteered to be the FinCom representative to the School Committee for this.

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**Other Business:** Open discussion about potential opportunities for a new Senior Center without removing existing commercially-zoned properties from the tax roll.

Executive Session: MOTION made to adjourn and move into Executive Session and seconded.

At 8:22 p.m., a motion was made and seconded to enter executive session pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 39, Section 23B (3) to discuss collective bargaining matters and financial projections because a public discussion of these matters will have a detrimental effect on the bargaining position of the Town. A roll call vote was taken:

yes
yes

Respectfully Submitted,

Paul Grasso