



Town of Wayland Massachusetts

Finance Committee

Paul Grasso
Thomas Greenaway
David J. Gutschenritter
Cherry C. Karlson (Chair)
Sam H. Peper
Richard M. Stack
Bill Steinberg

Finance Committee Meeting Minutes November 29, 2010

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 pm in the Selectmen's Conference Room at the Wayland Town Building.

Attendance: P. Grasso, C. Karlson, B. Steinberg, R. Stack (arrived at 8:10 PM), S. Peper, T. Greenaway, M. DiPietro. Not in attendance, D. Gutschenritter.

Public Comment: Molly Upton expressed her concerns with regard to the following issues: a) increases in debt service payments by the Town in 2012 and beyond; b) a desire for the Town to reduce funding in the budget rather than level funding; and c) the prospect that a turnover in the population will cause the number of children in Wayland to increase. Her overall request is that the Finance Committee should try to minimize real estate tax payments by Town residents.

Meeting Minutes: The meeting minutes for both the regular session and the executive session on November 9, 2010 were approved by a vote of 4-0-1. S. Peper abstained, as he was not present for those meetings. The minutes for the meeting of November 16, 2010 were approved 5-0.

Discussion of Special Town Meeting Held on November 16, 2010: The committee members discussed Wayland Special Town Meeting, with a consensus among the members that it was a successful Town Meeting. P. Grasso suggested that if, in the future, the Board of Selectmen opt to ask Town Meeting to reconsider the acquisition of the Sudbury share of the septage facility that it should provide some examples of potential uses for that facility and the land upon acquisition of the full ownership interest in the property.

Timing of Budget Submittals: There was a discussion of the timing of budget submittals by the school committee and other Town departments. It was decided that all budgets should be submitted per the schedule that has been previously provided to them by the Finance Committee. With regard to the capital budget, Fred Turkington and John Moynihan will be working to provide some additional detail to those capital requests and the Finance Committee plans to begin reviewing initial drafts of the capital budget submittals at its meetings in December, with a formal schedule to review the capital budget on January 10, 2011.

Capital/Debt Slides: C. Karlson led a discussion of the most recent drafts of the slides. There were additional suggestions to clarify and improve various slides, which will be presented at the Public Hearing on December 6, 2010.

Executive Session: At 8:32 PM a motion was made by C. Karlson and seconded to enter executive session as permitted by M.G.L. Chapter 30A, Section 21 (a)(3), for the purpose of discussing strategies with respect to collective bargaining because a

discussion of these matters in open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining position of the Town. The Finance Committee will return to regular session only for the purpose of adjourning. A roll call vote was taken.

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| Grasso: | Yes |
| Greenaway: | Yes |
| Karlson: | Yes |
| Stack: | Yes |
| Steinberg: | Yes |

Chief Robert Loomer of the Wayland Fire Department joined the Finance Committee in Executive Session.

At 10:16 pm the Finance Committee returned to regular session.

Adjourn: At 10:17 PM a motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

William Steinberg

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