

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 January 18, 2011

The meeting was called to order at 7:25pm in the Wayland Town Building, large hearing room when a quorum was present.

Attendance: P. Grasso, C. Karlson, D. Gutschenritter, T. Greenaway, M. DiPietro

**Absent:** B. Steinberg, S. Peper, R. Stack

**Public Comment**: There was no public comment.

**FY12 Operating Budget Overview**: M. DiPietro gave an overview of the budget including a change to Water budget bringing the new request to \$3,396,883 and a discussion of the budget drivers (debt due to HS bond issuance, unclassified expenses of reserve for salary settlement, health insurance and retirement). M. DiPietro suggested that we have a future discussion of funding the pension expense within the appropriated budget beginning this year; previously, it has been funded through an assessment.

**FY12 Capital Budget**: John Moynihan joined us to discuss the remaining requested capital budget items. Discussion and questions covered the repaving of the town building parking areas, paving and septic at Station 2, wireless fire alarm installation at all town/school buildings, interior repairs to town building, and the municipal IT request. J. Moynihan also presented the SC capital facility requests: paving at Claypit Hill, tile removal and replacement at Claypit Hill and purchase of a replacement truck. A brief discussion covered upcoming and deferred capital

items and the idea of implementing a fleet management policy. Further information was requested on the municipal IT budget. C. Karlson to follow up.

At 8:05, the Board of Selectmen joined the meeting. J. Moynihan presented information on the PSB \$1.35 million capital request and on the reduced request for \$250,000 for the DPW building (schematics, location and programming to be determined before more funds are requested). Further information was requested to understand the use of any potential FEMA funds for the PSB. M. DiPietro to follow-up.

**FY12 Operating Budget:** Fred Turkington provided an overview of the municipal budgets and then took questions. FinCom had general questions and reviewed each department's submission asking specific line item questions which were answered by M. DiPietro and F. Turkington. Follow up information was requested on the public health nurse. Discussion also covered other areas for possible collaboration or consolidation; F. Turkington outlined ongoing efforts.

At the conclusion of the budget discussion, the Board of Selectmen returned to their own meeting.

**Other Business:** The committee organized the next meeting agenda and reviewed the meeting calendar. An additional meeting may be needed on Thursday, January 27th for further budget discussion.

**Adjourn:** At 9:55 pm a motion was made and seconded to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,

Cherry Karlson