

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: Executive Session February 7, 2011

Attendance: B. Steinberg, S. Peper, C. Karlson, T. Greenaway, M. DiPietro, D. Gutschenritter, R. Stack. Also Attending: Mike DiPietro, Finance Director.

Executive Session: At 10:20 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 with Fire, Union, Clerical, Library, Food Workers and Teamsters Union(s) because a discussion of these matters in open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining position of the Town.

Motion: Approved minutes of executive session 01/24/11 as amended. Vote: 6-0-1.

Upcoming 3 Year Negotiations: Continued discussion of negotiation strategy to cycle union agreements with preference for an even cycle (similar contract dates). At the last meeting, J. Senchyshyn stated that, for those contracts which were settled last year for one-year extensions with a 0% increases, negotiations would be starting in late January for a new 3-year period beginning on 7/1/11. John had requested guidance from the Finance Committee for the third year COLA. Cherry Karlson requested a sense of the meeting and the Committee recommended a third year COLA of 2%.

At 11:45 pm a motion was made by C. Karlson and seconded to adjourn the Executive Session and return to open meeting. A roll call vote was taken.

Grasso: Yes,Greenaway: Yes,Karlson: Yes,

Peper: Yes,Stack: Yes,

• Steinberg: Yes,

Gutschenritter Yes.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard Stack