

Town of Wayland Massachusetts

Finance Committee Thomas Greenaway David J. Gutschenritter Cherry C. Karlson Carol Martin Sam H. Peper Bill Steinberg (Chair)

> Finance Committee Meeting Minutes Executive Session September 5, 2012

Attendance: B. Steinberg (Chair), C. Karlson, D. Gutschenritter, C. Martin, T. Greenaway

At 10:35pm, a motion was made by B. Steinberg 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 and to approve the Executive Session minutes of July 9, 2012. The Finance Committee will return to regular session to adjourn. A roll call vote was taken in regular session.

Martin:YesGutschenritter:YesKarlson:YesGreenaway:YesSteinberg:Yes

1. **Minutes:** The minutes of July 9th's executive session were reviewed. A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes as amended. Vote:

Greenaway:YesKarlson:YesGutschenritter:YesSteinberg:YesMartin:Abstain

2. Negotiation Strategy: T. Greenaway led a discussion of the approach to negotiations, the metrics desired for comparison and identifying the next steps for improving healthcare savings. T. Greenaway and D. Gutschenritter plan to meet with the SC reps and J. Senchyshyn. D. Gutschenritter reported on CPI trends. Nationally inflation has been running at about 1.5 - 2% and forecasts are for it to continue in that range. The regional (Boston) CPI is running slightly lower at about 1.6%. This information can be used to measure how the last contracts compare to inflation growth.

After general discussion, it was agreed that an executive session should be added to the next two agendas to allow for discussion of budget guideline potential COLA amounts in executive session.

At 11:20pm, motion was made and seconded to leave executive session. Vote:

Greenaway:YesKarlson:YesGutschenritter:YesSteinberg:YesMartin:Yes

Respectfully submitted, Cherry Karlson