

April 27, 2010

Lillian Whitney: Chairman
Martha Svedberg: Secretary
Melissa Coyle: not available
Kevin Stetson

Also attending:
Mary Krapf, and Beth Ann Scheid

It appears Fin Com is not receiving all the warrants, fin com would like to review for errors prior to the BOS signature; this will need to be address with Nancy.

Martha shared conversations she had with both Jennifer & Peter Niles; the building inspector, which was to be forwarded to Peter McMurray regarding damage to the American legion. Discussion occurred prior to Peter McMurray's arrival at the fin com meeting of April 13, 2010 (see 4/13/2010 minutes for damage detail) This location is owned by the Town and leased for \$1.00 to the American Legion were the general public participates in functions. (Fin Com has requested a copy of this lease)

-Call was placed to Peter Niles the Towns current Building inspector. He would visit the site by the request of the BOS, and would refer the electrician or any other inspectors to the site as he deemed necessary.

-Called Jennifer, to advise Peter McMurray that it would be wise to have the building inspector visit the site for his input.

Reviewed Budget, Articals and Motions for the May 1 2010 Town Meeting.

8:15 BethAnn arrived to discuss the mass general law regarding fees paid to her. She stated that Fin Com would need legal counsel for the correct terminology to eliminate the fees paid. These fees are over and above the Tax Collector salary.

Fin Com had previously called Jennifer following the April 13, 2010 meeting asking Peter McMurray to supply supporting legal information about the Tax Collector wages, todote no response has been given.

Beth Ann refers to the "Collins Report" to review the wages and benefit package for town employees (both appointed and elected). If this is the case then why are we giving a 2% increase to all the employees at this time? Fin com has yet to be supplied a copy of

the "Collins Report" with four days remaining before the budget is presented to the town.

Beth Ann made a comparison between the Tax Collector fees and Bill Davis request to change his rate of pay from hourly/to salary and the impact on his benefit package as the pension would be based on the higher rate. This is not a comparison because no one else gets the Tax Collectors fees.

Peter made a statement that it would be illegal to remove the Tax Collector's fees because we were selecting one individual. Yet he later adds while reviewing the 2011 budget that last year he reduced the dog catcher's wages by \$6000.00
Fin Com has reviewed and listened to 7 months worth of feed back on the additional fees paid to the Tax Collector, and has yet to receive any supporting documentation. (This years fees are in excess of \$16,000.00).

Direction was given for the American Legion to call Jennifer to request funds for minor building repairs, (\$1000.00) needed before the 2011 budget.

Motioned to adjourn @ 9:20

Next meeting 5/1/2010 @ 8:30 am due to missing information

