

Finance Committee Minutes

Date: December 8, 2009

Time: 7:30 pm

Lillian Whitney: Chairman 7:30
Martha Svedberg: Secretary 7:30
John Steffian: Arrived late
Melissa Coyle 7:35
Suzanne Caron: Arrived late

7:30 Lillian presented letter from Police Chief Search Committee

7:35 opened meeting

Lillian opened the meeting starting out to address her priorities for 2011 budget.

Peter McMurray interjected with concern over the uses of the reserved funds for engine repair on the police cruiser. Other department heads vocalized quotes from the anonymous letter sent to the finance committee on 11/24/2009.

John Steffian arrived
Suzanne Caron arrived

John Steffian agreed to provide written information by 12/31/2009 regarding reserved funds.

Conversations changed back to Lillian's priorities list for 2011 attached.

Proceeded with open conversations:

- Level of services due to budget restraints
- Town hall septic system cost
- Uses of a portable building in Pepperell
- Cost of moving the 911 system, Studies for police and dispatch regionalizing services with surrounding towns
- Combining Department
- Procurement officer cost (Linda called to correct the amount its \$1500.00 each for two people not \$3000.00 per person)
- HW dept subcontractor
- Health care cost/ increases have not been off set because there has been no pay increases
- List of employees, providing performance evaluations
- School being closed down due to needed repairs
- Extra money needed for additional elections due to the senators death

Adjourned joint meeting at 9:00

Finance Committee stayed in session.

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