

Minutes of the Finance Committee

Town of Charlemont

September 14, 2013

Present: Amy Wales, Larry Mann, Toby Gould, Rich Filoramo, Beth Bandy (BOS liaison)

This meeting of the Finance Committee was called to order at 8:40 AM.

Three sets of minutes (5/23/13, 6/21/13, 7/15/13) were approved and signed.

Moved, seconded and passed to pay annual dues for Association of Town Finance Committees.

Larry Mann stated that he is not able to attend the conference in Worcester therefore, no funds are required.

Update on Mohawk assessments. Assessments will not change.

Report from the September 9, 2013 Board of Selectmen meeting. Amy and Toby reported that the BOS and the finance committee representatives discussed the need for a Special Town Meeting.

The reasons for a Special Town Meeting are as follows:

- 1) There is a deficit in the FEMA account of \$146,000. We will review Free Cash as to possibility encumbrance.
- 2) Fire Department needs \$5-6,000 for safety equipment.
- 3) Police vehicle repair, approximate cost \$4500.
- 4) Possible cost of mold abatement for Town Hall.
- 5) Cost of vocational school transportation.
- 6) Stipends for school committee members.

The 2012 Audit has not yet been sent to BOS.

Larry will represent the Finance Committee on the Municipal Space Needs Committee.

We need town email addresses to improve communication.

Meeting schedule for the year: October 19, 2013, November 16, 2013 January 19, 2014. Future meetings to be scheduled later.

Ask Fire Department to meet with us on January 19, 2014 to begin budget hearings.

Finance Committee will meet with BOS on September 23, 2013 at 8 PM.

Next meeting will be October 19, 2013, at 8:30 AM.

Adjourned at 10:02 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Toby Gould