

**Minutes of the Joint Meeting of the Finance Committee  
and the Board of Selectmen**

**Town of Charlemont**

**March 8, 2014**

Present: Amy Wales, Toby Gould, Rich Filoramo, Beth Bandy, David Cunningham, Vaughn Tower

This meeting was called to order at 8:40 AM.

A discussion of the town administrator position took place. Salary, budget and office space were topics to be worked out.

250 Committee presented their warrant article. Events include bonfire, snowmobile rides, commemorative stamp, June 20 anniversary day, historical study for school children, scavenger hunt, aerial photos, parade with Yankee Doodle Days, walking tours, fireworks, Fall pumpkin people display, commemorative sales items, kayak race, fishing contest, progressive church dinner. Committee has raised over \$7000 to date. 250 Committee is asking for a special article of \$12,500. The Committee hopes that Town Hall can be spruced up or June 20<sup>th</sup> celebration. The Board of Selectmen moved, seconded and passed putting the warrant article on the Town Meeting vote.

Jared Bellows presented the proposed police department budget. The issue of heroin epidemic has already hit Charlemont and our policing responsibility. At present, we have 70 to 80 hours for patrols a week. We need Narcan training and possibly increased patrols.

The Annual Town Meeting will be May 27 at 7:30 PM. The BOS moved, seconded and passed to reserve June 3 at 7PM for a continued meeting.

Next joint meeting will be March 15, 2014, at 8:30 AM. The Finance Committee April meeting will be April 12 at 8:30 AM.

This meeting was adjourned at 10:10 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Toby Gould