FINANCE COMMITTEE

Minutes

February 25, 2013

Regular meeting of the Finance Committee was held on Monday, February 25, 2013 at 7:30 p.m. in the Finance Committee Room, Town Hall with the following members present: L. Pitman, J. Denneen, J. Burke, D. Crowley, D. DiCenso, P. Hinton, M. Iwanowicz, M. Kent S. Lawson J. Lowre, J. McDermott, and T. Williams. Also in attendance was Town Administrator M. Boynton, Town Accountant J. Cuneo and Fire Chief T. Bailey.

7:30 p.m. – Quorum being present the meeting was called to order by the Chairman L. Pitman.

May 6, 2013 Spring Annual Town Meeting

<u>Police Budget</u> – Speaking to this budget was Police Chief R. Stillman and also in attendance was Deputy Police Chief J. Carmichael.

MOTION MADE and Seconded to approve the Police Budget in the amount of 4,417,700, Motion Passed (12-0-0) (12 voting) Unanimous

Article 32 – Temporary Moratorium of Medical Marijuana Treatment Centers

It was explained by Deputy Chief J. Carmichael that a ballot questioned had been approved in November, 2012 allowing a change in the law making use of medically prescribed marijuana within the state and provides for the creation of Medical Marijuana Dispensaries across the State. This article postpones action for a year and allows for a thought out plan for regulations. The laws went into effect on January 1 but there have been no regulations in place yet. Held for additional information.

Article 33 – Restriction of Marijuana Public Use & Consumption

This article would restrict marijuana use in public ways and allows the Town to set parameters and provides for extra enforcement to the Police Department allowing them to issue citations. This is similar to regulations in place for alcoholic consumption on a public way. Held for additional information.

<u>Fire Budget</u> - Speaking to this budget was Fire Chief T. Bailey.

MOTION MADE and Seconded to approve the Fire Budget in the amount of \$3,325,723, Motion Passed (12-0-0) (12 voting) Unanimous

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<u>Inspectional Services</u> –Building Commissioner J. Mee spoke to this budget.

MOTION MADE and Seconded to approve the Inspectional Services Budget in the amount of \$339,770 (12-0-0) (12 voting) Unanimous

Weights & Measures –. This budget falls under the Inspectional Services Department.

<u>MOTION MADE</u> and Seconded to approve the Weights & Measures Budget in the amount of \$5,000, Motion Approved (12-0-0) (12 voting)

Emergency Management – Town Administrator spoke to this budget.

MOTION MADE and Seconded to approve the Emergency Management Budget in the amount of \$31,802, Motion Passed (12-0-0) (12 voting) Unanimous

Adjourn:

<u>MOTION MADE</u> by D. Crowley, Seconded by S. Lawson to adjourn the meeting at 9:15 p.m., Motion Passed (12-0-0) (12 voting) Unanimous

Respectfully submitted,

Clare P. Abril Clerk