



Finance & Advisory Board Meeting
Georgetown, MA
April 2, 2009
Minutes

The meeting came to order at 7:03 P.M. with the following persons present:

Members: Robin O'Malley – chair, Jon Ayres – Vice Chair, Andy Belliveau, Jim Lacey, Jack L'Hommedieu, David Surface, Tim Ruh (left at 8:29), Reggie Tardif

Unable to Attend: John Bonazoli

Guests: George Moker, Terry Wiggin and Carol Jacobs – School Dept.
Steve Delaney – Town Administrator, Rebecca Washburn
Christopher Tentindo – resident
Tillie Evangelista - Planning Board

Minutes taken by Robin O'Malley

Handout received:

- ◆ Police sent Robin a powerpoint regarding 2008 Annual Police Report – will be submitted into the minutes

Budget and General Comments:

- ◆ Steve and I explained how we could possibly use free cash of \$75,213 to balance the BY10 budget.
- ◆ Alternative idea: of the \$125,000 the schools could take \$85,000 and the town take \$40,000. George Moker noted that the schools already were reduced for FY09 by \$115,000 due to pre-purchasing in FY08. If the school took the entire \$125,000 there would not be layoffs but it would be detrimental to the school budget.
- ◆ July or August we should know the status of the stimulus money
- ◆ School choice receiving: \$284,919 goes directly to the schools. School choice sending: \$140,213 comes directly out of the town funds. There is no netting of this money. It is handled separately from the state.

ATM09-26: Planning: Open Space Residential Design: the board had a few questions, Tillie answered.

ATM09-02: General Operating Budget/Reserve Fund: Jim Lacey made a motion to accept ATM09-02, General Operating Budget/Reserve Fund, for \$20,919,178 for FY2010. Tim Ruh seconded.

Jim Lacey made a motion to amend the motion to say accept ATM09-02, Preliminary General Operating Budget/Reserve Fund, for \$20,919,178 for FY2010. Tim Ruh seconded. **Vote 8-0 in favor.**

ATM09-13 Public Safety, Roof Replacement: The Board had some concerns regarding the amount of money for this project and the state of the economy. We would like to see the Board of Selectmen have the authority to be able to stop this project if we find we need the free cash. Need to talk to the BOS.

ATM09-14: Old Highway Garage, Roof Replacement: The Board would like to have in the motion that the money come from the Bailey Lane Bridge appropriation of \$200,000. Jim Lacey made a motion to recommend approval of ATM09-24 Old Highway Garage, Roof Replacement for \$50,000 with the funds to come from the Bailey Lane funds. Jack L'Hommedieu seconded, **vote 8-0 in favor.**

ATM09-20: Conservation Commission, Request for Appropriation to the Conservation By-Law Account: Received a memo from Steve Przyjemski dated 4/2/09 regarding this money. The \$10,000 was intended to go into this account but had to go into the general funds with counsel's recommendation. Jim Lacey made a motion to recommend approval of ATM09-20, Conservation Commission, Request for Appropriation to the Conservation By-Law Account, for \$10,000 to come from free cash. Reg Tardif seconded. **Vote 7-0 in favor.**

Jim Lacey made motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Tim Ruh. The meeting adjourned at 8:31 P.M.