**Town of Plympton Finance Committee Minutes**

**Monday, October 7, 2013**

**Plympton Town House, Plympton, MA**

**The meeting was called to order at:** 6:30 p.m.

**Members In attendance:** Susan Ossoff (SO), Max West (MW), Lisa Hart (LH) & Marilyn Browne (MB)

Members discussed the over-estimate of FY2014 new growth.

**Meet with BOS**

At 7:00 FinCom met with the BOS to discuss the new growth issue and the options the Town had to address the matter. We were informed that it had been decided that making adjustments to estimated receipts was the best approach since the other two options of issuing an estimated bill or borrowing were not likely to be approved. Selectman John Henry reported that tax bills were mailed today.

At 7:10 FinCom left the BOS meeting.

**Minutes**

On a motion by LH seconded by MW the minutes of September 9th were approved with MB abstaining.

**Revisions to Budget Request Form**

The idea of asking additional questions with the budget request forms was discussed; this was in response to a suggestion by Mark Russo of the BOS. The idea of having some additional questions relating to longer term planning was discussed – if this is done the cover letter will be revised. At the next meeting a list of questions to include will be discussed further.

**Other Matters:**

MB will contact Al Tosti of the ATFC to see what budgeting software most communities use.

It was determined that it is too early to draft a FinCom calendar.

Budget lines Wage and Personnel (150) and Assessors Salaries (160) will be removed because they are not funded.

No action will be taken at this time by the FinCom regarding the Silver Lake Regional School underassessment.

LH made a motion to fund an individual interested in attending the ATFC annual meeting, including mileage, MW seconded the motion and it was approved unanimously.

**Next Meeting**:

Selectmen have requested all Departments/Boards/Committees/Staff attend a meeting on October 23, 2013 at 7:00 p.m.

Next FinCom meeting is scheduled for October 28, 2013 at 6:30 p.m.

**Motion to Adjourn:**

Motion made by LH, seconded by MW, unanimous at 8:25 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Marilyn Browne