

Town of Plympton Finance Committee Minutes
Monday, March 2, 2020
Plympton Town Hall, Plympton, MA

The meeting was called to order at: 5:36 p.m. in Conference Room 1707

Members In attendance: Nathaniel Sides (NS), Steve Lewis (SL), Michael Lemieux (ML) and Marilyn Browne (MB). **Approval of Minutes**

Date	Motion by	Seconded by	Vote
Feb. 10, 2020	ML	SL	Unanimous

FinCom met with the town clerk, library director, assistant assessor and a member of the board of assessors, and board of health chairman to discuss proposed budgets.

Town Clerk is requesting a significant increase in salary of 25% based upon a salary survey of the county and because the current salary is not based upon her qualifications. The assistant town clerk formerly worked in an abutting community where she retired. Consequently, she is not need of or receiving benefits from our town.

Library Director is looking for an increase in salary of 4.1% and has also did a salary survey. The library is open 26 hours a week and she works 35 hours.

Assessors are seeking an increase predominately in the expense line of 7.8%. They discussed solar pilots that are not in compliance. Also discussed was the possibility of changing to a new or updating the current valuation system.

Board of Health is proposing a level funded budget with merit increase for staff of 1.6%.

SL discussed the Tri-Town meeting he attended in Halifax to review the Silver Lake Regional School proposed budget. Silver Lake is proposing a 3% increase and Kingston is looking at 2%.

NS brought up the ROCC proposed large increase to the town for dispatching services. We believe the increase is not merited for our small community in relationship to the other larger community members.

At the next meeting we will be meeting with the Fire Department, Dennett School and Silver Lake Regional School.

Motion to Adjourn: at 7:15 p.m. motion made by ML, seconded by SL, unanimous vote in favor.

Next meeting will be March 16, 2020 in the Community Room of the Police Station at 5:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Marilyn Browne, Secretary