

**Town of Plympton Finance Committee Minutes**  
**Monday, March 10, 2014**  
**Plympton Town House, Plympton, MA**

**The meeting was called to order at:** 6:00 p.m.

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

**Budget Requests**

We met with Town Coordinator Dale Pleau who presented the selectmen’s budget proposal.

- Insurance line was up due to new vehicles. We asked for a list of all vehicles and actual expenditures.
- Selectmen’s salaries were at full stipend level. We suggested they be budgeted at the current actual level.
- We asked for the exact amount of Selectmen’s expenses, what it was used for and the assistant’s salary.
- Computer maintenance line showed no additional costs for the consultant or equipment for the upcoming year.
- Memorial Day expense, Town Counsel, &Town Reports were all level, utilities level (utilities may exceed current appropriation due to the cold winter).
- We asked that all salaries be adjusted down to the 2% voted by Wage and Personnel.
- County extension line will be eliminated since it has been carrying a zero balance.

We met with Library Director, Debbie Batson. She is requesting two more hours for the circulation assistant, and to open the library an additional afternoon. Several XP computers need to be replaced with newer used equipment.

Board of Health members and assistant met with us at 7:30 p.m. Their salary line is up due to an additional new office clerk being paid for from existing funds. There is also a full salary line for the current administrative assistant. The plan apparently is to have the new clerk replace the existing assistant when that person retires. Other budget lines are level funded. Salary lines need adjusting down from 3%.

**New Business**

We met with the selectmen at 8:00 p.m. where they were presented with a list of capital improvement requests we have received to date.

Selectman Henry wanted to vote on repairing the Town House roof that evening but the motion was not seconded and the FinCom wanted to discuss the matter because we were unaware there was a potential vote on the matter this evening. We will meet with the selectmen next week about the matter.

We also discussed meeting with the selectmen in April to discuss the FY15 budget.

We left the selectmen’s meeting at 8:50 p.m. We then talked about being willing to consider CIPC requests that came in after the deadline under special circumstances. We then reviewed Excel spreadsheets.

MB will request industrial information from the assessors.

**Approval of Minutes**

Date	Motion by	Seconded by	Vote
March 3, 2014	LH	MW	Unanimous

**Upcoming Meeting Date:** Monday, March 17, 2014

**Motion to Adjourn:** Motion made by MW, seconded by LH, unanimous at 9:15 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Marilyn Browne, Secretary