

Town of Plympton Finance Committee Minutes
Monday, March 2, 2015
Plympton Town House, Plympton, MA

The meeting was called to order at: 5:30PM

Members In attendance: Susan Ossoff (SO), Marilyn Browne (MB), Mark Gabriel (MG), Lisa Hart (LH).

Approval of Minutes:

Date	Motion by	Seconded by	Vote
2/23/15	LH	SO	unanimous

Correspondence:

None

New Business:

None

Departmental Meetings:

Bldg Dept:

Tom Millias reports that the Zoning, Plumbing, Wiring and his own budget all look good. He is requesting level funding for next year.

Assessors:

Deb Stuart states that the Warrant Article requesting 6K for the FY '16 Interim-Year Valuation has changed to 1K. Her Education and Training line is being dropped to \$750, and her copier expense is now coming out of the BOS Budget. She informs the FINCOM that she and Selectman Henry have been involved in discussions about potentially implementing a split tax rate (higher for business). This is something the FINCOM had not been aware of. She also suggested that if the Fire Chief and B.I. could tell her when they go out on inspections it would be helpful to her as she could accompany them and gain access to homes with new construction.

Veterans:

Roxanne informs the FINCOM that she has 33K remaining in her Fy '15 budget. With fixed costs for the remaining (4) months at \$5,100, a number which does not include RX's, she may end up having a surplus of 5K, barring the unforeseen. LH suggested that we adjust her budget lower for FY'16 and if she needs more next year come to us for a RFT.

Police:

Chief Dillon has submitted a budget which includes funding for a ninth patrolman, which would enable Plympton to maintain coverage for (2) patrolman on the 11-7 shift. We have told the Chief that revenue projections for FY '16 are coming in low and that cuts across all budgets are necessary. We spent some time discussing lease payments as well as the number of police vehicles he has in-service. SO asked Chief Dillon if he has ever approached CASA about funding the DARE program, which is a \$3,200 budget item residing in the Police Budget. Chief also anticipates that Sgt Costa is retiring next FY and per the contract will be entitled to a 50% payout of his sick time (capped at 100-days). This has been discussed with the BOS and needs to be accounted for somewhere.

Upcoming Meeting Date: Monday, March 9, 2015 @ 5:30PM

Motion to Adjourn: Motion made by LH, seconded by SO, unanimous at 8:37PM

Respectfully Submitted,
Mark Gabriel