Town of Plympton Finance Committee Minutes Monday, October 26, 2015

Plympton Town House, Plympton, MA

The meeting was called to order at: 5:35 p.m. by Susan Ossoff Members In attendance: Susan Ossoff (SO), Lisa Hart (LH) and Marilyn Browne (MB) Jean Cohen (JC) and Nathaniel Sides (NS).

Approval of Minutes

Approvation minutes						
	Date	Motion by	Seconded by	Vote		
	9/14/15	LH	NS	Unanimous		

Motions

Date	Motion by	Seconded by	Vote

Other Matters

NoDepartment Liaisons were determined:

LH library & highway

MB treasurer, assessors, accountant

NS fire, police, building

JC elementary school, selectmen, town clerk

SO SLR school.

Budget request forms were discussed and will remain the same this year. DOR Financial report will be forwarded to members by SO. She also informed the committee that the town has hired a consultant to review this report and assist with its implementation.

FinCom met with the Selectmen, Plympton's Silver Lake representatives and SLRS Superintendent to hear about Kingston's proposed purchase of land belonging to SLRS for a police station. Land abuts the school and there are proposals for the purchase 5 or 20 acres. Should this proposal go forward it would take a unanimous vote of all three member towns. Proceeds from the sale would go to the towns.

FinCom members SO, MB, JC and NS proceeded to Halifax Town Hall to meet with the other 2 FinComs of SLRS. Among those present were Plympton's Silver Lake representatives and the SLRS Superintendent. Although early in the budget development process, communities discussed their expected financial status and any large capital projects pending. SLRS Superintendent said she expected a level service budget and no major capital projects. She also explained that the school had to update its phone system that kept failing and that they were looking at a VOIP system for approximately \$130,000.

Also discussed was the possibility of the three towns regionalizing services other than schools. Selectmen from the 3 towns agreed to meet to discuss the idea.

Upcoming Meeting Date: Nov. 16, 2015 at 5:30 p.m.

Motion to Adjourn: Motion made by SO, seconded by JC, unanimous at 7:15 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted, Marilyn Browne