

Town of Plympton Finance Committee Minutes
Monday, March 7, 2016
Plympton Town House, Plympton, MA

The meeting was called to order at: 5:33 p.m. by Susan Ossoff

Members In attendance: Susan Ossoff (SO), Lisa Hart (LH) and Marilyn Browne (MB) and Nathaniel Sides (NS).

Approval of Minutes

Date	Motion by	Seconded by	Vote
Feb. 29, 2016	LH	SO	Unanimous

Motions

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Budget Meetings:

1 Council on Aging reports that there are now 804 seniors (over 60) and that is 35% of the population. Currently mailing 535 newsletters. They are requesting an increase for printing and postage. Outreach worker is looking to become a senior clerk and will go to the Wage and Personnel meeting this coming Wednesday. Director Chris Maiorano is planning on resigning in June.

2 Town Accountant is requesting 3 more hours for the assistant who currently works 15 hours a week.

3 Town Treasurer's contract is up for renewal this year. They are now doing the Dennett School payroll and accounts payable and are requesting \$3,000 (Silver Lake is no longer responsible for these duties) to cover those costs. Lock box charge is increasing and group insurance will be up 12 to 15%.

4 Highway budget is basically level funded. New outlet to dispose of electronic trash will cost more. Hazardous waste day is estimated to cost \$7,000. Proposing a warrant article for paving at \$500,000.

5 Police budget is proposed at level service. Proposing warrant articles for a police repeater and, money for IT service contract of \$8,000.

Discussion:

Silver Lake Budget, while recently reduced, still leaves the Town with a 4.5% increase which is not compatible with our Proposition 2 1/2 constraints. We discussed and will recommend that their budget increase this year to the Town be 4% or less since we cannot sustain those large increases and that they look into structural changes.

Upcoming Meeting Date: March 14, 2016 5:30 p.m.

Motion to Adjourn: Motion made by, NS seconded by LH, unanimous at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Marilyn Browne