

PLYMPTON BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
MINUTES  
January 14, 2013

Present: John Henry and Joe Freitas  
Absent: Barry DeCristofano  
Meeting began at 7:00 PM

7:00 PM Appointment: Finance Committee Members in attendance: Chair, Ms. Susan Ossoff, Ms. Lisa Hart, Mr. Max West and Doctor Russo.

Ms. Ossoff presented the Board with their schedule of Finance Committee Meetings with Department Heads to discuss the budgets FY 2014.

The Reserve Fund is \$40,000.00 which is close to being depleted with present requests from Department Heads. There was much discussion regarding a Verizon suite against all Municipalities that resulted in an unexpected payment from the Town. Mr. Pleau will confirm with the Town Account and the Department of Revenue (DOR) to have the payment come out of the over-lay account; the possibility of this is slim. Ms. Hart was adamant and stated that a Memo will be sent to all Department Heads to stay within their FY 2013 budget and not expect monies from the Reserve Fund.

There will more than likely be a special Town Meeting. The Highway Surveyor has incurred higher than anticipated costs for the recent road work in Town.

Mr. Henry informed the Finance Committee that an unemployment claim has been filed. The Town is denying the claim due to a State law that has a specific clause "physically able to work."

Ms. Ossoff discussed a State program, OPEB "Other Post-Employment Benefits." This will pertain to Town Retirees. A suggestion was made to set-up a Trust fund against future cost increases. Mr. Henry also commented on retirement of Police Officer and built-up sick pay payments will present a challenge to any future budgets.

Mr. Henry reported that there are two solar companies that interested in a relationship with the Town which may be a great financial gain for Town budget.

The Finance Committee departed at 7:40 PM

Doctor Russo, Chairman of the CPC remained at the meeting to comment on the Community Preservation Committee and the deadline for application additional documents, January 15, 2013.

There was much discussion between Doctor Russo, Ms. Anderson, Town Coordinator and the Board regarding the application request for CPC funds to complete the vault and alarms system.

Mr. Freitas asked Doctor Russo how many CPC application requests there were:

Doctor Russo replied: 1. Historical Society Building 2. Jason Park Pond 3. Jason Park Field  
4. Vault and Alarm and 5. Vault shelving

There is presently approximately \$120,000.00 in the CPC fund account.

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Doctor Russo requested that a contingency percentage be included in the documentation for completion of the vault to avoid unforeseen costs that have plagued prior CPC requests. Ms. Anderson stated that the CPC had funded \$58,000.00 for the vault project in 2010 and would like to see it brought up to code so it may be used for the Town historical records.

Chairman Henry will sign the Master Equipment Lease-Purchase Agreement for the

- New Pumper/Tanker truck (C & S Specialty, Inc.)
- Refinancing of Spartan Custom Engine Tanker
- Refinancing of 4X4 GMC 2-Door Attack Truck

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

Complaint form forwarded to the Zoning Enforcement Officer on January 08, 2013.  
from Mr. Kirkland of Montello Street regarding running of vehicles at Tractor Supply.  
Donation from SERVPRO to Town Veteran's Agent for Veteran Services of \$800.00  
Mileage rate increase 56.5 cents.

Mr. Pleau reported that the Library heating system actuator needs replacing at a cost of \$600.00 and the venting code has to be updated per State regulations at a cost of \$900.00

Hold the Minutes of (Executive Session) December 17, 2012 and January 07, 2013

**VOTED:** Motion made by Mr. Freitas not meet on Tuesday, January 22, 2013 (Monday is a holiday.) Second Mr. Henry. 2/0.

**DATES:**

Next Board of Selectmen meeting, Monday, January 28, 2013  
Saturday, Town Counsel presents to Zoning Board and other departments a "Land Use Workshop" from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm at Town House. All interested parties are encouraged to attend.

**VOTED:** Motion made by Mr. Freitas to adjourn meeting at 8:45 PM. Second Mr. Henry. 2/0.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Krance,  
Board of Selectmen,  
Assistant