

CHARLEMONT FINANCE COMMITTEE

Minutes of Meeting: January 17, 2009, Town Hall, 9:00 A.M.

Attending: R. Filoramo, T. Willard, C. White, Selectman W. Healy.

The meeting was called to order at 9:10 A.M. by Co-Chairman R. Filoramo.

1. After a motion was made and seconded, it was VOTED that the snow and ice accounts may be overspent as necessary under MG.L. Chapter 44, Section 31D.

This was done as requested by Tracey Baronas, Town Accountant, so that she can make timely payments to vendors in the event that the account or accounts become overdrawn.

2. Assessors Carol Rice, Andrea Santos and Michael Kane accompanied by Assessor's Secretary Bree Stegner joined the Finance Committee at 9:20 A.M. for the purpose of discussing their budget requests.
 - a. After discussion, the Assessors agreed to prepare and re-submit to the Finance Committee new budget figures separating salary requests and to include justifications and reasoning for any increases.
 - b. Preservation of Assessor's records as well as other Town records was discussed. It was noted that the Assessors will need another file cabinet.
 - c. It was noted that the Finance Committee was of the understanding that the Board of Selectmen are the hiring and salary setting authority.
3. Selectman W. Healy updated the Finance Committee on the status of the Public Safety Facility, replacement of the Town Hall roof and preservation of the Town's records.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:20 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Camille C. White, Recording Secretary

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