

Finance Committee Meeting Minutes

March 27, 2007

Those Present: Al DeVito - chair, Sharon Estrella, Richard Knabel and Skip Manter.

Guests: Bruce Stone, Town Accountant; Diane Powers.

The meeting was called to order at 4:35 p.m.

After a final review of the recommendations a motion to approve was made by Skip and seconded by Richard. The motion passed 4-0.

Town Budget Brochure:

Richard presented his graph and noted there had been a spike in 2002. Skip will do some research to try to discern the reason. Richard will work with Bruce to review the tax levy figures vs. the budget figures. Richard made a motion to approve the brochure as amended, which Skip seconded. The motion passed 4-0.

UIRSD Brochure:

There was a review of the changes. Al explained that his figures were based solely on the WT/Chilmark sites and did not include the charter school. Al will implement some final refinements. Richard moved and Sharon seconded to approve the school brochure. The motion passed 4-0.

Al reported that the recommendations are ready and he will send them to Lori Stone to post on the website. Richard will get the recommendations, the town budget brochure and the school budget brochure printed and will pass them out at the WT post office. Sharon and Skip offered to help.

Skip made a motion, seconded by Richard, to request a written ballot for the vote on the withdrawal and school budget articles at the April town meeting. The motion passed 4-0. Subsequent to the vote, the chairman was asked to call the town moderator to make the request.

Minutes:

A motion from Richard and a second from Skip approved the following minutes: March 20, 4-0; and March 23, with changes, 4-0.

Future meetings: Saturday, March 30 at 10am there will be another public forum at the Howes House. Tuesday, April 3 at 4:30 - regular meeting.

There being no other business, a motion for adjournment was made and seconded.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:05 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Nancy Rogers, Administrative Clerk