

**MINUTES**  
**MIDDLEFIELD FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**MARCH 9, 2009**

PRESENT: Joe Kearns, Gita Jozsef, Scott Artioli, Tamarin Laurel Paine and Ed Vivier

Chairman Kearns opened the meeting at 7:33 pm.

The minutes of the February 9, 2009 meeting were accepted as read.

A request by Chairman Kearns to transfer \$1,245 from the reserve fund to the assessor's map account was passed unanimously. The reserve fund currently has a balance of \$1,155 for FY2009. The assessor's also rolled over \$750 from last year's map account to FY2009.

The committee continued to review the proposed FY2010 warrant.

Article 14, the Gateway over-minimum contribution saw a reduction from \$154,000 to \$125,740 or an approximate 50 cent reduction on our tax rate. This Gateway figure has still not been finalized.

Gateway also withdrew their request for \$4,000 to establish a stabilization fund.

In other business, the Finance Committee agreed to add a separate line to the expense account sheet to create a separate payroll account line.

An article will be added to this year's warrant to construct a 20' x 30' or so building at the town recycling center funded in part by user fees.

Chairman Kearns announced that the date of this year's Municipal Conference in Northampton will be on April 4, 2009.

Our next meeting is on March 16, 2009 at 7:30 pm at the Town Hall.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Ed Vivier  
Secretary