

MINUTES

MIDDLEFIELD FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING

FEBRUARY 19, 2013

PRESENT: Joe Kearns, Scott Artioli, Judy Hoag, Janine Savoy and Ed Vivier

The meeting opened at 7:05 pm.

Chairman Kearns informed us that no department budget requests have been received by the Finance Committee so far.

On March 6th there will be an open meeting on the Gateway School Budget and the budget should be finalized by March 13th. The meeting will take place at the Gateway High School.

According to Chairman Kearns, on March 4th at 7:00 pm the Finance Committee will meet with the members of the public safety, which will include the Police, Fire and EMS departments. On March 18th the Finance Committee will meet with the COA and the Library. The Finance Committee would also like to interview the Building Inspector, the Board of Health, the Selectmen and our new Veterans Agent.

Skip Savery, Middlefield Road Superintendent, met with the Finance Committee tonight regarding his upcoming budget. He will be seeking a 3% raise for his two full time employees, which should be approximately \$19 per hour. He would also like to extend the new truck warrantee to 5 years, which will cost approximately \$6,000. On the plus side, health insurance should go down because of reduced coverage needed and the savings could be approximately \$9,300. The Superintendent also said that he is working out the cost for a wing for the newly purchased truck, possibly as a packaged deal or piece meal whichever comes out cheaper.

Chairman Kearns announced that he would be checking on the cost of unemployment insurance for our financial employees. He also will be checking on insurance and coverage for our public safety volunteers.

Chairman Kearns announced that he would write up a sample warrant similar to last years warrant that the Finance Committee could start work on.

Member Judy Hoag read the minutes of the previous meeting. Those members who attended the meeting accepted the minutes unanimously.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Scott Artioli and seconded by Janine Savoy.

The meeting closed at 8:04 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Ed Vivier
Secretary