

# MINUTES

## MIDDLEFIELD FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING

MARCH 22, 2016

PRESENT: Joe Kearns, Judy Hoag, Scott Artioli and Ed Vivier. Dale Hoag sends his regrets.

The meeting opened at 7:04 pm.

The minutes of the March 1, 2016 and March 15, 2016 meetings were unanimously accepted as read.

Town Clerk Suzanne Lemieux sends her regrets noting that she is not available to meet on Tuesday nights and asked that the finance committee reschedule our meeting with her, if possible. She also expressed her desire to increase her salary from \$4,200 to \$5,500, from \$10 to \$15 per hour and to increase the assistant town clerk to \$3000 from \$600.

In our interview with Highway Superintendent Skip Savery he explained that he would like to increase his department wages by 2% this year to keep his department competitive with the surrounding towns. He also explained the need for another leaf blower and plow blades. He also expressed the need for a secretary to handle the ever-increasing paperwork load.

The committee later continued to review the ATW line by line.

In other notes, the school budget numbers are up by \$4,000 over their original estimate. Their next meeting will be Wednesday at Gateway. On Wednesday, March 30<sup>th</sup> our town will hold the caucus from 4 to 8 pm at our town hall.

On Monday, March 28, 2016 at 6:00 pm the Finance Committee with meeting with the Select Board to go over the Annual Town Warrant.

The meeting closed at 8:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Ed Vivier  
Secretary