

**Hamilton
Finance Committee Meeting
April 25, 2011
5:30:00 pm**

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Meeting Minutes

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Attending: John McWane, Joseph Santarelli, Laurie Wilson, Kalil Boghdan, Michael Lombardo, and Deborah Mena.

Agenda:

1. Review of FY 2012 Town Budget.

John McWane explained that as a result the of the joint meeting with the Wenham Finance Committee, the Regional School District budget will be reduced by \$500,000.00 rather than the initial amount of \$350,000.00. The reasoning for this is the additional \$120,000.00 funding being provided by the state.

Laurie Wilson made a motion to rescind our initial vote of March 24, 2001 of \$15,395,683.00. It was seconded by Joseph Santarelli and the motion passed unanimously.

Laurie Wilson made a motion to approve Hamilton's share (67.53%) of the Regional School budget in the amount of \$15,307,333.00. It was seconded by Joseph Santarelli and the motion passed with three in favor and with Joseph Santarelli abstaining.

2. Reserve Fund and other Transfers (See the attached pages).

Laurie Wilson made a motion to transfer \$1,500.00 from the Finance Committee Reserve Fund to the Town Clerk account for postage. It was seconded by Joseph Santarelli and the motion passed unanimously.

Laurie Wilson made a motion to transfer \$11,600.00 from the Retirement fund to the Police Overtime Account. It was seconded by Joseph Santarelli and the motion passed unanimously.

Laurie Wilson made a motion to transfer \$16,000.00 from the Unemployment Account Line to the Police Overtime Account. . It was seconded by Joseph Santarelli and the motion passed unanimously.

3. Warrant Articles

The Warrant Articles for the Annual Town Meeting on May 14 were reviewed and voted on. For each of the individual votes on the Articles, Laurie Wilson presented the motion and Joseph Santarelli seconded them.

Favorable action was voted on for: Articles 2-1, 2-3, 2-4, 2-5, 2-7, 2-8, 2-9, 2-12, 2-13, 2-15, 4-1, 4-2, 5-3, 5-4, and 6-1 all passed unanimously.

Favorable action was voted on for: Articles 2-6, 2-11 each passed by a vote of 3-1 with Joseph Santarelli voting against each one.

Favorable action was voted on for Article 2-14 at a previous Finance Committee meeting.

Unfavorable action was voted on for Article 2-2.

No action was agreed upon for Article 2-10 by a vote of three in favor with Laurie Wilson Abstaining.

It was agreed that the finance committee will make a recommendation for Articles 5-1 and 5-2 at the Town Meeting.

The next Finance Committee meeting is scheduled for 7:00 pm on Thursday, May 12, 2011.

The meeting adjourned at 6:43 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Kalil S. Boghdan", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Kalil S. Boghdan