

Town of North Brookfield
Finance Committee
Minutes of the Meeting of Tuesday, September 8, 2015
North Brookfield Police Station @ 6:30 p.m.

Present: Sheila Orsi, Chet Lubelczyk, Rob Miner, Peter Dupell, Bob Locatelli
Absent: Debby Maggio

The meeting was called to order at 6:37 p.m. By Sheila Orsi, Chair.

1. Chet moved and Peter seconded that we approve the minutes of the August 11, 2015 meeting. Approved by a unanimous vote of those present at those meetings.
2. Peter moved and Chet seconded that we accept the letter to the Board of Selectmen as written. Approved unanimously.
3. No update on the tax lien land sales was available.
4. Sheila contacted Nancy regarding the availability of a Balance Sheet and Receipts/Disbursements reports on a monthly or quarterly basis. Due to circumstances beyond anyone's control this data is not yet available. It is expected within the following week.
5. Chet sent a request to Eric Hevy following up on our request for a meeting with Senator Gobi. Eric responded he bring this up with the BOS and set a date. Two of the issues at hand are (a) Choice out and (b) increase in school charge not limited to 21/2%.
6. Chet requested that we look more closely at the cost of snow and ice removal. Questions were raised regarding:
 1. The cost/hr. of running a plow on overtime vs. the cost/hr. of contract plowers.
 2. Is it possible to have the state take over maintenance of routes 67 and 148? If so, what are the ramifications for the town?
 3. Is Gary Jean retiring in 2016? If so, can the Finance Committee meet with the employees to see what can be done to make a positive difference in the future for both the town and our employees?
7. Chet moved and Rob seconded that we adjourn at 7:43 p.m. The vote was unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Bob Locatelli

10-20-15

