

Shutesbury Finance Committee Minutes
Tuesday, January 24, 2012, 7pm

Members Present: Eric Stocker, Weezie Houle, Al Hanson, Rus Wilson, George Arvanitis and Gary Hirshfield;
Members Absent: Lori Tuominen, **Visitors Present:** Becky Torres

- 1) Meeting called to order at 7:06pm.
- 2) Approve minutes of January 10, 2012 as amended.
- 3) Review Expense Report – Everything looks good and is around 50%, right where it should be.
- 4) Becky reported on the MMA: Lt. Gov. Murray spoke: The committee reviewed the Governor’s FY13 Local Aid Budget Proposal – All aid (Cherry Sheets) that affects Shutesbury will remain level funded.
- 5) Review of Draft FY13 budget
 - a) Discussion regarding the location of some of the line items so the subtotals better reflect the lines above.
 - b) Discussion of a few line item revisions
- 6) Committee Reports
 - a) CPA – Allen Hanson – none
 - b) Personnel – George Arvanitis –Contract negotiations for four positions are scheduled for this spring. Finance Committee Representatives were selected for the:
 - i) Police Union Contract negotiations –Eric
 - ii) Highway Department Head negotiations – Rus
 - iii) Town Administrator negotiations – Al
 - iv) Fire Chief negotiations – George
 - c) School Committee – Weezie Houle – none
 - d) Capital Planning – Rus Wilson – none
 - e) Library Fundraising Committee – George Arvanitis – none
 - f) Ed Study Committee – Eric Stocker– none
- 7) Future agenda items:
 - a) IT backups
 - b) Assessors request for web hosting
- 8) Next Meeting: February 7, 2011, 7pm
- 9) Adjourned at 9:45pm

Respectfully submitted, *Weezie Houle*