

Shutesbury Finance Committee Minutes
Tuesday, September 11, 2012, 7pm, Town Hall

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

- 1) Meeting called to order at 7pm.
- 2) Discussion about funds that will have to be paid for a pole tax from Verizon, which just got passed by the appeals court. Gail explained that Shutesbury is being assessed \$13,398.24. It is going to be paid as soon as possible, as we are accruing interest daily.
- 3) Estimated Free Cash should be about \$1,071,501.79, Stabilization has about \$240,868, and \$168,000 in Capital Stabilization.
- 4) Election of Officers
 - a) Motion passed unanimously to have Rus Wilson and Lori Tuominen continue as Co-Chairs.
 - b) Motion passed unanimously to have Weezie continue as secretary.
- 5) Fire Station – they attempted to do a well water test but there was no water in the well. Our various representatives are working to minimize the cleanup loan.
- 6) The Fall Letter to the Department heads will be drafted without any suggestions of their budget change. We will review it at our next meeting.
- 7) Monthly meeting schedule: October 2 after all boards meeting, November 13 and December 11.
- 8) All Boards Meeting on October 2, 2012
- 9) Special Town Meeting: November 13, 2012
- 10) Motion passed unanimously to recommend to the Personnel and Select Boards, that Leslie Bracebridge be given a one-time compensation of \$5,000 based on the unique circumstances of additional work November 2011 through May 2012.
- 11) Meeting adjourned 8:57pm.