

Shutesbury Finance Committee Minutes
Tuesday, March 5, 2013, Town Hall

Members Present: Eric Stocker, Gary Hirshfield, Al Hanson, Rus Wilson, Lori Tuominen & Weezie Houle

Members Absent: George Arvanitis **Visitors Present:** Becky Torres

- 1) Meeting called to order at 7:05pm.
- 2) Reviewed and approved amended minutes from February 19, 2013.
- 3) Wired West update. They are looking for \$110M.
- 4) Solar Electricity: If we had about 8 acres of solar, we could cover all of the town buildings. Becky and the Energy Committee are looking into all aspects of building a solar farm. Rus is going to see about a meeting with members of the Energy Committee.
- 5) Reviewed Revenue Reports
 - a. All the income lines are looking good
- 6) Reviewed Expense Reports
 - a. Heating fuel is way down due to insulation
 - b. There is some concern that the After School program is eating into their previous surplus.
- 7) Transfer signed for \$798.96 for the actuarial study over run, voted on December 11, 2012.
- 8) **Vote passed unanimously** to recommend that the Regionalization Study Committee vote to support further investigation of regionalizing with Amherst, Pelham and Leverett.
- 9) Upcoming Meeting Schedule
 - a. April 9
 - b. April 23
 - c. May 4, Town Meeting

Adjourned at 8:55pm

Respectfully submitted, Weezie Houle