

**SHUTESBURY FINANCE COMMITTEE**  
**Minutes for June 22, 2005**  
**Shutesbury Town Hall**

Members present: Eric Stocker, chairman, Al Springer, Russ Greco, Russ Wilson and Patrick J. Callahan. Guest, David Dann, town administrator.

The meeting convened at 7:10 p.m.

The minutes of the May 24 meeting were approved unanimously.

There was a discussion about how the town buys diesel fuel, gasoline, and heating oil. David Dann explained the bid process works and showed committee members some of the latest bid documents he recently had updated.

Patrick reported on the Police Chief Selection Committee, of which David Dann is also a member. To date the panel had reviewed applications and interviews were set with six semi-finalists for June 23 and June 29.

David Dann reported that Becky Torres, selectwoman, and Eric Stocker have been named as the town representatives to the committee to review the regional school assessment formula.

The committee reviewed the June 14, 2005 expense report.

David Dann told the committee that under the provisions of the state's Municipal Relief Act that some line item transfers were being allowed within municipal departments as a way to streamline local government for this year. With that in mind, he proposed that the committee transfer \$12,000 from the police chief salary line in the police budget to police wages. The chief's salary has not been expended in full because former Chief Charlie Bray retired last year. The transfer makes up for increase patrol wages needed to provide interim police coverage. Patrick moved to take the action, it was seconded, and was approved unanimously.

There was no old business.

There was no new business.

A final end-of-year meeting was scheduled for July 26 at 7 p.m.

The meeting adjourned at 7:46 p.m.

Submitted by Patrick J. Callahan.

