Finance Committee Meeting Minutes – June 3, 2013 Town Hall, Lower Level Hearing Room, 7:30 P.M.

Members Present: Patricia-Lee Achorn, Aaron Agulnek, William Brack (late), Arnold Cohen, Gordon Gladstone, Charles Goodman, Alexander Korin, Ira Miller, Laura Nelson, Edward Philips (Hamilton) Absent: Michael Fish

- 1. The first item on the agenda was to vote minutes from prior meetings.
- 2. A **MOTION** was made by Alex Korin and **SECONDED** by Ted Philips to approve the minutes of March 4, 2013, as corrected.
- 3. VOTED: 5-0-4. For: Cohen, Goodman, Korin, Miller, Philips. Abstain: Achorn, Agulnek, Gladstone, Nelson.
- 4. A **MOTION** was made by Alex Korin and **SECONDED** by Ted Philips to approve the minutes of March 11, 2013.
- 5. VOTED: 5-0-4. For: Cohen, Goodman, Korin, Miller, Philips. Abstain: Achorn, Agulnek, Gladstone, Nelson.
- 6. A **MOTION** was made by Alex Korin and **SECONDED** by Ted Philips to approve the minutes of March 18, 2013.
- 7. VOTED: 5-0-4. For: Cohen, Goodman, Korin, Miller, Philips. Abstain: Achorn, Agulnek, Gladstone, Nelson.
- 8. A **MOTION** was made by Alex Korin and **SECONDED** by Ted Philips to approve the minutes of March 27, 2013.
- 9. VOTED: 5-0-4. For: Cohen, Goodman, Korin, Miller, Nelson. Abstain: Achorn, Agulnek, Gladstone, Philips.
- 10. A **MOTION** was made by Alex Korin and **SECONDED** by Ted Philips to approve the minutes of April 1, 2013.
- 11. VOTED: 6-0-3. For: Cohen, Goodman, Korin, Miller, Nelson, Philips. Abstain: Achorn, Agulnek, Gladstone.
- 12. A **MOTION** was made by Alex Korin and **SECONDED** by Ted Philips to approve the minutes of April 4, 2013.
- 13. VOTED: 4-0-5. For: Cohen, Goodman, Korin, Philips. Abstain: Achorn, Agulnek, Gladstone, Miller, Nelson.
- 14. A **MOTION** was made by Alex Korin and **SECONDED** by Ted Philips to approve the minutes of April 11, 2013.
- 15. VOTED: 6-0-3. For: Cohen, Goodman, Korin, Miller, Nelson, Philips. Abstain: Achorn, Agulnek, Gladstone.
- 16. A **MOTION** was made by Alex Korin and **SECONDED** by Ted Philips to approve the minutes of April 22, 2013.

- 17. VOTED: 5-0-4. For: Cohen, Goodman, Korin, Miller, Nelson. Abstain: Achorn, Agulnek, Gladstone, Philips.
- 18. A **MOTION** was made by Alex Korin and **SECONDED** by Ted Philips to approve the minutes of April 29, 2013.
- 19. VOTED: 5-0-4. For: Cohen, Korin, Miller, Nelson, Philips. Abstain: Achorn, Agulnek, Gladstone, Goodman.
- 20. A **MOTION** was made by Alex Korin and **SECONDED** by Ted Philips to approve the minutes of May 6, 2013.
- 21. VOTED: 4-0-5. For: Cohen, Korin, Miller, Nelson. Abstain: Achorn, Agulnek, Gladstone, Goodman, Philips.
- 22. The Committee welcomed two new members, Pat Achorn and Aaron Agulnek. They each gave a brief biography about themselves.
- 23. The next item on the agenda was comparable towns.
- 24. Laura Nelson and other members of the committee think it's time to review these towns and depending on the criteria, choose other towns that would work out better.
- 25. There was considerable discussion on this topic and the consensus was to have a small group or sub-committee explore the issues and then report back to the full committee. Laura Nelson would lead a group consisting of Bill Brack, Gordon Gladstone, and Chuck Goodman.
- 26. The next item on the agenda was regarding deadlines for the Warrant.
- 27. There was much discussion on the need for firm deadlines to be able to write recommendations for the articles for the Warrant. Bill Brack would head up this sub-committee with help from Arnie Cohen and possibly Ira Miller to draft a proposal for the committee to comment on. There was a suggestion to contact the Canton Finance Committee as they have a deadline by-law especially for zoning articles.
- 28. There was some discussion on the past Annual Town Meeting and suggestions how the committee's part could be improved.
- 29. The next item was to reorganize the committee.
- 30. A **MOTION** was made by Gordon Gladstone and **SECONDED** by Ted Philips to nominate Bill Brack for Chair.
- 31. VOTED: 10-0-0. For: Achorn, Agulnek, Brack, Cohen, Gladstone, Goodman, Korin, Miller, Nelson, Philips.
- 32. A MOTION was made by Bill Brack and SECONDED by Ted Philips to nominate Ira Miller for Vice Chair.
- 33. VOTED: 10-0-0. For: Achorn, Agulnek, Brack, Cohen, Gladstone, Goodman, Korin, Miller, Nelson, Philips.
- 34. A **MOTION** was made by Alex Korin and **SECONDED** by Ira Miller to nominate Laura Nelson for Vice Chair.
- 35. VOTED: 10-0-0. For: Achorn, Agulnek, Brack, Cohen, Gladstone, Goodman, Korin, Miller, Nelson, Philips.

- 36. A MOTION was made by Ira Miller and SECONDED by Laura Nelson to nominate Alex Korin for Clerk.
- 37. VOTED: 10-0-0. For: Achorn, Agulnek, Brack, Cohen, Gladstone, Goodman, Korin, Miller, Nelson, Philips.
- 38. Ira Miller and Chuck Goodman were appointed to be representatives to the Priorities Committee.
- 39. Gordon Gladstone and Alex Korin were appointed to be representatives to the Capital Outlay Committee with Ted Philips as an alternate.
- 40. There was some discussion regarding liaisons to the School Committee and if interested to notify Bill Brack. Gordon Gladstone indicated he would take the DPW, Arnie Cohen would take the Planning Board, and Ted Philips would take Civil Defense. At the next meeting there would be a discussion on goals.
- 41. The Finance Director will be at the next meeting to discuss a Reserve Fund Transfer for the Snow & Ice deficit.
- 42. The next meeting will be June 24, 2013.
- 43. It was MOVED and SECONDED to adjourn.
- 44. VOTED: 10-0-0.
- 45. The meeting was adjourned at 9:25 p.m.