**Town of Winchendon**

**Winchendon Finance Committee Meeting Minutes**

**November 3, 2014**

**CALL TO ORDER**: 6:10 p.m.

**MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE**: Ulysse Maillet, Cyndi Leroy, Thomas Kane, Darlene Rossi, Christian Orobello and Ottmar Rau

Chairman Kane informed the committee that the Town Manager has drafted a plan for the Board of Selectmen to act upon. It includes how to solve the deficit with different options. Proposed draft legislation will be voted on at town meeting for bail out money.

**Forensic Audit:** Cyndi Leroy asked about the forensic audit. Ottmar Rau said that he thinks everything should be audited. Ulysse Maillet stated that we need to know what took place. Chairman Kane said that we can request the forensic audit for both years. Christian Orobello said that we are trying to understand what policies or lack of policies has got us to here. Chairman Kane agreed. Christian Orobello stated that we need to see documents monthly. The following motion was made by Christian Orobello that states the Finance Committee in its investigative role will develop an RFP for an independent audit for FY13 which will be brought to the Board of Selectmen. The motion was second by Ulysse Maillet. Vote 6 yes.

**Finance Director:** Chairman Kane said that he is in favor of a Finance Director. Ulysse Maillet said that he thinks it needs to be part of the plan. Ottmar Rau said that the mission statement says that the Town Manager is the lead man. A motion was made by Christian Orobello as follows The Finance Committee supports the concept of the Finance Director. The motion was second by Ulysse Maillet. Vote 6 yes.

Chairman Kane said that the next regular monthly meeting is cancelled.

A motion was made by Ulysse Maillet and second by Cyndi Leroy to adjourn the meeting. Vote was unanimous.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:20pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Debra Dennis

Recording Secretary Minutes Approved November 19, 2014