TOWN OF WINCHENDON FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, November 14, 2017
DPW Meeting
109 Front St., Winchendon, MA 01475

Present:

Thomas Kane, Chairman Christian Orobello, Member Dr. Maureen Ward, Member James Robichaud, Member Tonya Dokulil, Member Charles Corts, Member Doug Delay, Member Katie Broome, Recording Secretary

List of Documents Presented At Meeting:

N/A

5:30 PM Department of Public Works Meeting

The Finance Committee meeting at the Winchendon DPW was called to order by Chairman Thomas Kane at 5:30pm, motion was seconded by Dr. Maureen Ward.

The Finance Committee met with Al Gallant at the Winchendon DPW, to further understand the duties and needs of the Winchendon Department of Public Works, and to tour the facility. The meeting began with discussing the duties of the Winchendon DPW, including the maintenance of the 134 miles of primary roads in the town of Winchendon, including the cleaning and maintenance of these roads in wintery conditions, the care and maintenance of the fire hydrants, sewers, and water department of the town of Winchendon, collaborating with the Winchendon Fire and Police Departments, assisting the schools in Winchendon, to store and upkeep any vehicles used to maintain school grounds, and much more as the needs arise in the town. After expressing the amount of work that the Winchendon DPW does for the town, the finance committee was made aware of the needs of the DPW, including better staffing, building updates, more trucks, and updated equipment and technology. The Finance Committee was then led on a tour through the Winchendon DPW building, and was able to see the trucks, equipment, and building structure used by the DPW. The Finance Committee enjoyed their tour of the DPW, and felt that this meeting had been informative, and allowed them to better understand what the DPW does, and how their work directly affects the Town of Winchendon.

Upon finishing the tour of the Winchendon Department of Public Works, Chairman Kane called to recess the first portion of the 11/14/17 meeting at 6:36pm, to return to the 2nd Floor Auditorium at the Winchendon Town Hall. Dr. Ward seconded the motion.