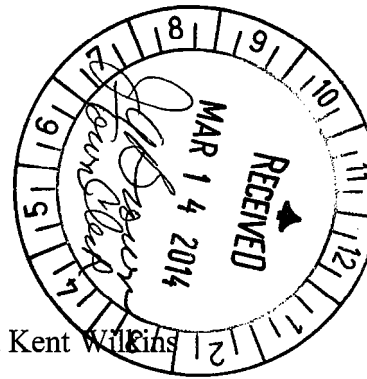


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**FINANCE COMMITTEE**  
**MEETING OF MONDAY OCTOBER 7, 2013**  
**COUNCIL ON AGING**  
**227 CHACE ROAD, EAST FREETOWN, MASSACHUSETTS**



FinCom Members present: Bob Alderson, Brad Paiva and Paul Denault and Kent Wilkins

**Police Articles**

Police Art. transer 10K – Mr. Alderson ask how much ammo the PD goes through in a year. Chief Abbott says much in a year. The PD trains with other dept throughout the County and trains with 3 weapons at a time 10K is for the full FY. Chief explains this was for the split of the expenses/personnel. He cannot spend the 10K on Ammunition out of personnel it needs to be in expenses. Mr. Alderson asks where the firearm purchase comes out of. Motion (Denault/Alderson) to recommend this Article.

Police Art. 8K – Mr. Alderson ask Chief Abbott on average how many trainees per year do you have and Chief Abbott says 2-3 per year maybe. Alderson states if this is going to be per year then maybe this should be a line item. Chief Abbott says that we asked for this and it was never made available to us before. Motion (Denault/Alderson) to recommend this Article.

**Town Administration Articles**

K&P- \$13,186.36, Mr. Alderson asked to see the bills. Motion (Denault/Wilkins) to accept this Article.

MILA Insurance Bills - \$15,000.00 Motion (Denault/Alderson) to accept this Article.

Key Fobs - \$11,000.00 – Motion (Denault/Wilkins) to accept this Article.

Repairs to Town Buildings, Equipment, Vehicle 100K. Mr. Alderson asks if there is a list of the building etc that needs to be repaired. Selectman Sadeck said that things need to be repaired around Town and we have no money to do these things. Selectman Pacheco states that if we did 20K a year like in the past we were going to fix things then that is why we got rid of that warrant article in the past because the Board of Selectman and Finance Committee wanted to be more proactive. Mr. Alderson said forget the amount that Selectman Sadeck is asking for when your equipment breaks then the department should go to the Finance Committee. Selectman Sadeck states you can't because Finance Committee requires your budget to be depleted. Selectman Pacheco states that is why with this new system of line items should work well because the department will have depleted the line item and can do to Finance Committee if needed. Selectman Sadeck states an example is the Police Department has windows that can fall out and need to be repaired now and we don't have the funds to do it. Selectman Baumgartner says this is scam antics and it was a shame we had to pull from the Highway Department budget to

get the Town Hall parking lot fixed. Selectmen Sadeck says you need money to fix things the correct way, without that we can't do anything. Mr. Alderson states that we were asked in the past for funds from the reserve fund for things that they already had money for. Selectman Baumgartner said that if you look around Town we need to fix things and this is all for the good for the Town. Selectman Pacheco said however this for \$100K and it is not going to look good to the Town because we just asked for \$65K at ATM for a Feasibility Study. Mr. Alderson agrees if you have something that breaks it needs to be fixed. Selectman Pacheco says now they should be meeting with the departments for the ATM to get a feel for what is needed. Mr. Alderson says someone needs to take charge of this now. Selectman Baumgartner agrees that the Dept Heads need to give a letter of what needs to be done in their dept. Mr. Alderson says the Town Administrator along with the Building Inspector needs to have a list of what needs to be done. Selectman Sadeck asks if everyone would agree with \$50,000. Selectman Pacheco says she would be more comfortable with \$45,000. Motion (Wilkins/Pacheco) to recommend this Article.

### **Planning Board Articles**

Traffic Impact Study – This article is not recommended.

Prior Year WB Mason Bill – Motion (Alderson/Paiva) to recommend this Article.

### **Accounting Articles**

Recind unused borrowing authority for 2010 floors amount \$6,284,000 Motion (Alderson/Wilkins) to recommend this Article.

COA – Employee pay not put on ATM \$321.83 Motion(Alderson/Wilkins) to recommend this Article.

Prior Year Bill for WB Mason from Treasurer's Office \$135.69 – Motion (Alderson/Denault) to recommend this Article.

### **Highway Department**

Reimburse highway for money spent to fix the Town Hall parking lot. \$23,838.96 (Alderson/Wilkins) to recommend this Article.

### **Tree Warden**

Remove dead and hazardous trees within the Town. \$10,000.00 This Article is not recommended.

### **Cemetery Commission**

Brush Mower – This Article is not recommended.



Morton Cemetery mowing for Spring 2014 – This Article is not recommended.

Transfer of money \$2,000 – Motion(Alderson/Wilkins) to recommend this Article.

Lang Road Petition – No Action required as this goes through by Petition.

Motion to adjourn (Alderson/Paiva) 7:39