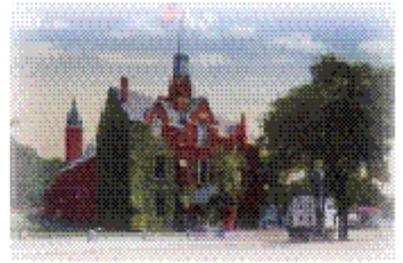


Town of Ayer

Finance Committee

Ayer Massachusetts, 01432



Location: Ayer Town Hall, 1st floor meeting room.
Finance Committee Minutes

Wednesday, February 24, 2010

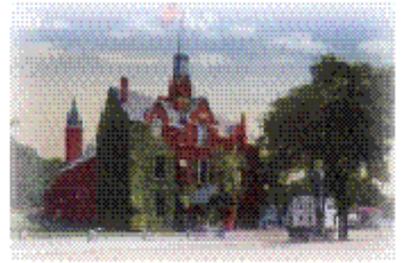
Present: Brian Muldoon; Chairman, Jesse Reich; Vice-Chairman, Glen LaPierre; Clerk, member Scott Houde and Andrew Crowley

Called to order at 7:02 pm by Brian Muldoon

1. Mail: Brian Muldoon distribute mail to members
2. Budget: Ayer Fire Chief Pedrazzi:
 - a. Ambulance: There was a change in the ambulance budget; money to put in to capital reserve for ambulance replacement, 20% including OT and 15% of chief's salary are also part of Ambulance budget. Should revenue be greater than expenses excess must stay in the ambulance enterprise fund.
 - b. Calls have increased between five and ten percent.
 - c. Mutual aid no additional expense to the town.
 - d. Department has received some grants for equipment.
 - e. Would like to put back into budget protective gear replacement.
 - f. Collections are over 85%.
 - g. Explanation of steps and benefits:
 - i. Volunteers are non union and get COLA increase each year; the chief would like to see them get the same COLA as union gets.
 - ii. Longevity explained no cap.
 - iii. Clothing allowance is 700/yr need receipts to get reimbursed
 - h. Chief feels that the addition of a full time day fire fighter needed, this would reduce OT expense
 - i. Jesse Reich motioned that the FinCom support an add to staff in the Fire department, seconded by Scott Houde, All in favor, unanimous
 - i. Fire explained that there is a grant however must remain on for at least 5 years
3. New Business: Brian Muldoon:
 - a. School regionalization updated, still beneficial to the town.
 - b. Next FinCom meeting 03/03/10

9:07pm: Motion to adjourn FinCom by Jesse Reich, second by Scott Houde. All in favor, unanimous

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Brian Muldoon, Chairman _____ Date _____

Jesse Reich, Vice Chairman _____ Date _____

Glen Lapierre, Clerk _____ Date _____

Scott Houde, Member _____ Date _____

Andrew Crowley, Member _____ Date _____