## TOWN OF STERLING Joint Meeting BOARD OF SELECTMEN Finance Committee & Capital Budget Committee April 22, 2020

MEETING:

Vice Chairman Cranson called the Select Board meeting to order at 6:09pm. Roll Call: Selectman Cranson – Present. Selectwoman Sonnenberg – Participated remotely. Chairman Kilcoyne – joined the meeting at 6:10pm.

Also present were Town Administrator, Ross Perry and Executive Assistant, Kama Jayne. The Finance Committee and Capital Committee were called to order.

The Finance Committee and Board of Selectmen discussed the Fire Chief's request for a full time fire fighter. The Chief proposed that the wages for the position be taken from the ambulance receipts. The Chief will be invited to a future meeting of the Finance Committee to discuss this proposal.

The Finance Committee approved the proposed level funded Omnibus budget, which reflects a 2.58% increase over last year.

The Capital Committee approved their updated funding recommendations which reflects a 56% decrease from their original proposal. The Select Board did not vote on the budget. They will vote on the budget at a future meeting.

The use of the Stabilization fund, to decrease the taxes, will be considered further.

The Sterling Lancaster Cable Television will broadcast Town meeting informational programming to

Adjourn

Selectman Cranson moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:29pm. Selectwoman Sonnenberg 2<sup>nd</sup>. Chairman Kilcoyne – Aye. Selectman Cranson – Aye. Selectwoman Sonnenberg – Aye. Motion carried.

keep the residents informed, regarding issues that will be decided at the Annual Town Meeting.