Joint Finance Committee/Capital Committee Meeting March 12, 2014 Butterick Buiilding, Room 201

The meeting was called to order at 6:07 PM.

In Attendance - Finance Committee: Bob Brown, Joe Sova, Jerry Kokernak, Mary Cliett, Cynthia Secord, Ed Sweet

In Attendance - Capital Committee: Bob Brown, Joe Sova, Jerry Kokernak, Mary Cliett, Michael Murphy and Arden Sonnenberg

Town Administrator Jeff Ritter also attended the meeting.

Minutes

February 25, 2014 Finance Committee meeting - A motion to approve was made by Mary Cliett, seconded by Jerry Kokernak. All in favor.

February 25, 2014 Capital Committee meeting - A motion to approve amended minutes to add Joe Sova's name as having attended the meeting was made by Joe Sova, seconded by Ed Sweet. All in favor.

March 1, 2014 Finance Committee meeting - A motion to approve the minutes was made by Joe Sova, seconded by Mary Cliett. All were in favor.

Business

Town Administrator Jeff Ritter discussed strategies for reviewing the FY15 budget requests. He also reviewed the operating budget with members.

At 7:05 PM the Capital Committee meeting adjourned and the Finance Committee meeting temporarily adjourned in order to attend the Board of Selectmen's meeting with representatives from the Wachusett Regional School District, Superintendent Darryll McCall and Business Manager Joe Scanlon.

The Finance Committee adjourned from the Board of Selectmen's meeting at 8:25 PM and resumed their meeting at 8:26 PM.

Sean Hamilton, representing the Sterling Municipal Light Department, attended the meeting to advise the Committee that the Light Department would like to retrofit street lights in Sterling with LED bulbs. The Light Department is applying for a grant to help with expenses and intends to participate in bulk buying of supplies with other towns to reduce costs. Sean would like the support of the Finance Committee in this endeavor.

Next Meeting

Bob Brown set the next meeting for March 25, 2014 in the Butterick Building, Room 205.

<u>Adjourn</u>

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Ed Sweet and seconded by Joe Sova. All were in favor and the meeting adjourned at 9:00 PM.