

Finance Committee Meeting Minutes
Town Hall ~ May 11 2017
Sturbridge, MA

Call to Order:

The chair called the meeting to order at 7:30pm. The following committee members were present: Kathy Neal (KN), Michael Serio (MS), Joni Light (JL), James Waddick (JW) Jared Burns (JB), Larry Morrison (LM), Mike Hager (MH). Bruce Boyson (BB) arrived at 7:45pm.

KN notified the committee that she posted a Finance Committee meeting for Tuesday, May 16 depending on the outcome of the Board of Selectman (BOS) meeting scheduled for Monday, May 15. She further explained that the vote taken for Article 7 Open Space Acquisition Borrowing at the last meeting, which failed, had to be taken again. The reasoning is that a failed motion means that there is no motion.

MH moved the motion to take no action on Article 7 Open Space Acquisition Borrowing; JB seconds. There was discussion on the substitute motion procedure, and if a resident or member of the Conservation Commission would be moving forward at town meeting with a substitute motion knowing the Finance Committee did not support the purchase of the land. It was also unclear if the Board of Selectman would entertain a revised article now, or even if they would be meeting to discuss a change.

KN called the vote at 4-3-0 (JL, LM, MS opposed). Motion to take no action was accepted.

There was further discussion on the warrant articles.

No Old Business/No New Business/No Public Access

JW moved the motion to adjourn at 8:33pm; JL seconds. Meeting adjourned.

/jml