Town of Ashby, Massachusetts

Finance Committee Meeting

April 4, 2017

Present: Kevin Stetson (Chair), Kathy Panagiotes, Sharon Stetson, Liryc Donald, Doug Leab, Rebecca Walsh and Bob Hanson, Town Administrator and John Mickola

Start: 7:35 pm

No Minutes to review.

Discussion: FY18 Budget

- Warrant draft presented by TA, reviewed by FinCom
- Areas related to monetary issues voted on approved or disapproved by FinCom.
- Other areas are considered no action
 - Budget approved based on anticipated adjustments to be provided by TA
 - TA will adjust library wage line to accommodate increase for Page position salary. Salary will go to current minimum wage of \$11.00 from \$9.41. FinCom would like the minimum wage to continue to be used as a baseline for all town employees. State municipalities are not bound to pay the minimum.

Other Discussion:

- Methods of budget management
- Open positions in town departments
- Generous amount of scheduled benefits for town employees

Next Meeting: Tuesday, April 18

Adjourned 10:15 pm

Kathy Panagiotes Secretary