

**FINANCE COMMITTEE  
MINUTES  
MARCH 25, 2008**

Chris Smith, Vice-Chair, called the meeting to order at 7:10 P.M.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Chris Smith, Gordon Allen, Peter Mahieu, Kim Boas, Eric Cerreta, Bob Buchele and Charlie Heath

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Chris Morris and Karen DeSalvio

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Steve Hertzberg and Jeff Chiffreda

**MINUTES:**

The minutes for March 18<sup>th</sup> were approved as written. Motion EC/Second GA.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

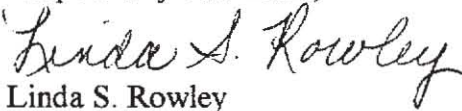
Discussions: (1) Gordon called HRHS for availability to meet. They will come in on April 10<sup>th</sup> to present their budget. Peter has the student list for Smith Vocational. Gordon has tried calling for the HRHS student list, does not have it, and will try again. (2) The Administrative Assistant position is questioned. It was thought that the position would not be continued, but rather was a bridging position and would be discontinued this year after the Town Administrator was settled in. There is a question of whether this is actually creating a new position. (3) Peter requests an Assistant Treasurer. This is a legal position that should be filled as more than one person should have this knowledge for backup. The Select Board and Treasurer would appoint this person. (4) The same holds true for an Assistant Town Clerk position with the exception that the present Town Clerk would appoint her own person. (5) Peter is waiting on the Veteran Benefit numbers from Northampton.

**SCHEDULED MEETINGS:**

April 3 -- the Fire, Highway and Police Departments will be invited in to present their respective budgets. Meetings will be moved to every Thursday until further notice.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Meeting adjourned at 8:00 P.M. Motion KB/Second PM. Passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

  
Linda S. Rowley