Town of Ashby, Massachusetts

Joint Meeting Board of Selectmen and Finance Committee

April 9, 2014

FinCom Present: Kevin Stetson (chair), Terry Myles, Kathy Panagiotes, Richard Doucette, Joe Armstrong-Champ

BOS Present: Start: 7:00pm

Minutes of March 11 and April 1 accepted

Continuation of preparing budget for FY15

- \$78,00 overlay
- Question arose about FinCom approving of Highway Superintendent change from hourly to salaried.
 - Discussion: most managers are salaried and this brings that position into line with others.

Five warrant articles reviewed:

• Vote taken to re-open warrant and add these five and close the warrant.

Chief Alden requests advisement for maintenance of 2005 cruiser that is out of service and needs a transmission and exhaust.

- Discussed options with the best and least expensive for the town would be to place a re-built transmission and repair to exhaust for approx. \$3,600. A new cruiser would be best but not feasible at this time.
- There are 4 officers and 4 cruisers. That leaves someone with out transport as the Chief needs a cruiser as well. The 2005 repaired would give department the necessary transports.

Next Meeting: April 16, 2014

Adjourned 9:14

Submitted, Kathy Panagiotes Secretary