

Town of Groton
Finance Committee
Town Hall
March 1, 2005

Minutes

Present: G. Boles, J. Cochran, J. Prager S. Shuman, A. Walsh, S. Webber
Town Accountant: V. Jenkins
Selectmen: W. Nordblom,

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 P.M. with the Chair, Steve Webber, presiding.

Presentation of Budgets

- - The Board of Assessors presented their FY'06 budget.
 - Discussed the need for additional seven hours for staff currently on board.
 - Discussed new growth.
 - Discussed the "horse tax" assessments and abatements.
 - The Treasurer/Tax Collector presented her FY'06 budget.
 - Discussed PILOT payments.
 - Discussed Point and Patriot software.
 - The Fire Chief presented his FY'06 budget.
 - The FinCom initiated a Discussion of the need for additional full time fire/EMT staff ASAP.
 - Discussed the mandate to merge the fire and EMS departments.
 - The Town Accountant presented her FY'06 budget.
 - Discussed the requested increase in expenses.
 - Discussed the town meeting article for an actuarial study for information on "post-employment" benefits.
 - Presented Health and Life Insurance, Unemployment, and Medicare Matching FY'06 budge

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- **Motion:** A. Walsh moved, J. Prager seconded to accept the minutes of the February 1, 2005 meeting. Vote: 6-0.
- **Motion:** A. Walsh moved, J. Cochran seconded to accept the minutes of the February 8, 2005 meeting. Vote: 6-0.

Next Meeting

- The next meeting is scheduled for March 8, 2005 at 7:00 PM.

Adjournment

- **Motion:** A. Walsh moved, S. Shuman seconded to adjourn at 8:40 PM. Vote 6-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Stuart J. Shuman
Recording Secretary