

Minutes of the Longmeadow Finance Committee
Monday, June 28, 2004 7:00pm – Longmeadow Fire Station

Members Present: Judd Peskin – Chairperson, Steven Marantz, Jerry Nolet,
Paul Santaniello

Chief Danio presented a request to transfer \$22,714 from the Health Insurance accounts to the Police Vehicle Replacement Account. Paul Pasterczyk explained that the requested transfer, already approved by the Select Board, would be made in accordance with Governor Romney's "Municipal Relief Package" passed during the FY04 State Budget. Chief Danio would discontinue use of 95 Explorer, with a block leak, and purchase another four-wheel drive vehicle. Chief Danio explained that many of departmental 4 wheel drive vehicles (most received from federal government surplus) are becoming obsolete. Costs of the 4-wheel drive vehicle were also comparable to the Ford Crown Victorias normally used. Chief Danio also explained the vehicle use patterns to the Committee. The Committee voted 3-1 to approve the transfer.

Reserve Fund Request:

#17 Law Expense	\$11,700	tabled for additional information
#18 Ardsley Rd Drain Rehab	\$ 3,325	approved
#19 Town Accountants Salary	\$ 105	approved
#20 Bldg/Prop Maint Custodians	\$ 1,200	approved
#21 Bldg/Prop Maint. Utilities	\$20,000	tabled for additional information

The Committee requested Paul Pasterczyk talk with Mike McCarty Parks/Recreation Superintendent to make sure adequate amounts are being charged for the rental of the Community House.

The Committee authorized the Chairperson to sign FY04 Reserve Fund Requests during the summer months but only after all relevant RFR information is forwarded to all Committee members. The chairperson will wait 1 week for feedback.

The Minutes of May 26, 2004 Finance Committee were approved as presented.

Paul Pasterczyk informed the Committee that the Board of Assessors had recently released \$408,572.55 in the prior years overlay. This amount will revert to the FY 05 Free Cash once certified in the fall.

Mr. Santaniello raised the issue of the \$400,000 Special Education Reserve and stated that he would like to see the amount budget in the regular School Budget.

The Committee voted to adjourn at 8:30pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul J. Pasterczyk, Town Accountant

