Draft Norwich Finance Committee Minutes for the Meeting on 4-22-08

Members present: Karen Kayen, Al Converse, Steve Flanders, Cheryl Lindberg Also Present: Roberta Robinson, Stave Soares

The meeting was called to order at 8:20 by the chair, Karen Kayen

We approved the minutes of 3-01-08 after correcting punctuation.

We set 4PM on the third Tuesday of the month as our general meeting time. Thus our next meeting will be on 5-20-08. Meetings were also set at 4 PM on 6-17-08 and 7-08-08 in order to review the fund balance and tax rate recommendation, and to formulate budget guidelines for the Town for the coming year. Al suggested that as part of the guidelines the Finance Committee should submit a plan for capital expenditures based on the Norcap report. Cheryl reminded the Finance Committee that there was a commitment made by the Selectboard to discuss the Lister's Department and the wages of the Listers versus the cost of the Assessor. This was part of last year's Selectboard statement during the budget session. Cheryl also stated that a review of the benefits of all the Town employees, both union and non-union be reviewed, as it is time to consider whether the Town should be paying for 100% of family health insurance coverage. No action was taken on these suggestions.

Steve Flanders's offer to take over as secretary beginning with the next meeting was accepted. Thank you Steve.

On Al's motion with Steve's second we adjourned at 9:30 AM.

NEXT MEETING: 5-20-08 at 4PM

Respectfully submitted,

Alvin Converse