Weare Finance Committee Minutes for 27 January 16

- 1. The Weare Finance Committee met at the Town Offices on Wednesday, January 27 @7:00pm. Members in attendance were Lori Davis, Matt Whitlock, Bill Anderson, Keith Erf, Stephen Wallace, Rochelle Pitkaniemi, Gregg McDowell and David Recupero.
- 2. Business. The purpose of the meeting was to review update3d town/school Warrant Articles and complete supporting comments for stated Articles in preparation for Deliberative Sessions.
 - a. Town. Town Administrator Naomi Bolton and Finance Director Beth Rouse provided the committee an updated Town Warrant with two changes. Change one has decreased the proposed Town Budget by \$80,000. The result is a proposed budget which is 2% higher than the current Town Budget. Change two is an Administrative requirement to split the EMA-per diem Article into two separate Warrant Articles and amend the wording in the Ambulance Article. Committee action was as follows:
 - 1. Article 11. Town Proposed Budget. Recommended (Vote 6-0).
 - 2. Article 15. EMT Funding in Op Budget. Recommended (Vote 6-0).
 - 3. Article 16 . Discontinue EMT/Firefighter Revolving Fund. Recommended (Vote 6-0).
 - 4. Article 17. Ambulance. Recommended (Vote 6-0).
 - b. John Stark School Warrant. Superintendent Lorraine Tacconi-Moore provided information under separate correspondence reference the John Stark Support Staff contract. Committee action was as follows:
 - 1. Article 4. Support Staff Contract. Recommended. (Vote 5-2).
 - c. Weare School Warrant. Committee action was as follows:
 - 1. Article 3 Operating Budget. Recommended (Vote 4-2-1). A motion to open for reconsideration the Committees previous action passed. After further committee discussion, a motion to not recommend the Budget failed. A subsequent motion to recommend the School Budget passed 4-2-1.
 - d. Supporting Comments. The Committee completed supporting comments for all Warrant Articles. Final comments are to be provided to the Town Administrator and will be made available for the Deliberative Sessions.
- 3. Calendar.
 - a. Deliberative Sessions are scheduled as follows: Weare School District 2 Feb. 7pm in the WMS Cafeteria. John Stark School District 4 Feb 7pm at the JSRHS Cafeteria; Town Warrant 6 Feb 9am in the WMS Cafeteria.
 - b. The Committee will meet on Monday February 15 at 7pm at the Town Offices to review the results of the Deliberative Sessions. Final comment will be prepared for mailers to be distributed prior to March voting.

Bill Anderson, Secretary