

Finance Committee Agenda – 3/24/14

Present: Hamtil, Malek, Shute, Committeeman Dale (for Rich)

Absent: Bergenfeld, Beaumont, Little, Hoyer

Other:

Minutes of 2/19/14: Approved as submitted

OLD BUSINESS

DPW/Firehouse/Police: Tabled to next meeting since Bergenfeld is working this project

Shared Services: WAT Police contract with East Amwell for \$15K/yr. imminent.

Township Budget: Draft 2014 budget and capital projects were reviewed. Finance made recommendations to increase Open Space contribution to debt service to \$300,000 from \$288,000 and increase fees anticipated from Municipal Court and Construction to be more in-line with 2013 actual numbers. This would allow a budget that keeps the 2014 municipal tax rate level with 2013 and 2012. Amt raised by taxes would increase by \$23K due to increase in assessments. In the capital plan the proposed purchase of replacement vehicles for DPW was discussed. Malek will work with R Hoagland to ensure the best fit and pricing for the needed equipment is secured.

School Regionalization: Beaumont was attending a Regionalization meeting that night and will report at the next Finance meeting

JCP&L WAT substation upgrade: Planning Board approved project application at March meeting. JCP&L still needs to purchase adjacent property to complete project and will have to return to the Board.

Recycling/Clean-up- No report due to absence of Little.

Township Property- No change

NEW BUSINESS: None

Next meeting: April 16

Submitted by Hal Shute 4/16/14