



**Finance Committee  
Meeting Minutes**

June 14, 2010

6:15 PM

Student Study Center South – AB Regional High School

Pursuant to a notice duly posted with the Town Clerk and with a quorum of members present, the Acton Finance Committee convened at 6:15 p.m. on June 14, 2010 to review various matters.

(This Finance Committee meeting was held in conjunction with the Acton Town Meeting which began approximately 7PM. As is its custom, the Finance Committee did not adjourn its meeting until the conclusion of the Town Meeting.)

6:15PM Chair Mary Ann Ashton called the meeting to order.

**Members present for the meeting:** Mary Ann Ashton, Chair, Bill Mullin, Vice Chair, Doug Tindal, Clerk, Pat Easterly, Bob Evans, Kent Sharp, Steve Noone, Pat Clifford, and Brandy Brandon, Members.

Also present was Karen Kucala, Town of Acton, in her capacity as liaison to the Committee.

- I. (No Public Participation)
- II. Ms. Ashton initiated a discussion regarding Articles One and Two of the Town Meeting Warrant. Our Steve Noone was to make the Committee's presentation in response to the anticipated question from the Town Moderator as to whether or not the Finance Committee approved of the articles. The Finance Committee was to recommend approval of the articles.
- III. Pat Clifford gave the Committee a brief update on the status of the Acton Train Station project. Key points mentioned were: 1.) The design question remains open. 2.) Elevators are definitely part of the project. 3.) Intergovernmental Agreement document will be required for operations of the station and its parking arrangements. 4.) Expected sequence is that track improvements will proceed first, with station construction to follow in approximately 2012.
- IV. At approximately 6:50 the Committee removed to the auditorium.
- V. At approximately the Town Meeting was commenced. The proposed articles were submitted following a presentation by the Chair of the Board of Selectmen, Lauren Morton. Thereupon the Board of Selectmen affirmed its support of the articles, and the Finance Committee did likewise following a brief statement by Steve Noone. After perfunctory questioning by Town Meeting Members, a vote was called for. The first

article passed with only one dissenting vote. The second passed unanimously. Articles which had been put on the warrant as place holders (numbers three and four) were withdrawn. The Town Meeting was then voted adjourned.

At 7:28pm, in an egregious usurpation of ancient practice, Doug Tindal moved adjournment of the Finance Committee. Steve Noone seconded, and the committee voted unanimously to adjourn.

The committee's next meeting is scheduled for June 22 in the Faulkner Meeting Room at Town Hall.