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**Town of Ashfield Finance Committee
Meeting Minutes
June 19, 2013**

The Finance Committee meeting was held on Wednesday, June 19, 2013 at the Ashfield Town Hall. The meeting was called to order by Ted Murray Chair at 7:08 P.M.

Finance Committee Members present: Ted Murray Chair, David Newell, Ricki Carroll, Thomas Schreiber, Janet Rogers.

Also in attendance were Paulette Leukhardt, and Tom Carter

Approved May 4, 2012 minutes 5-0-0

Discussed and voted on the articles for the upcoming Special Town Meeting Warrant on June 26, 2013.

Articled 1 was Recommended 5-0-0

Article II with Amendment of \$5,000 to be provided by the town and the Police Department to find funding for the other \$5,000 through a grant or other fund raising. 5-0-0

Article III Recommended 5-0-0

Article IV Recommended 4-0-1

The group discussed looking forward to putting some fiscal policies together for a long range plan in regards to expenditures, taxation, but mostly to the long range stability to the Town of Ashfield.

David updated us on the Vocational Advisory Committee and that the towns of Plainfield, Charlemont, Hawley, along with Ashfield will be meeting on June 20, 2013 and invited all to attend. He mentioned in their meetings that they have found ways for the towns to save money on busing and will continue to look for economical ways to save in the future.

Made mention of the request of the Ashfield House wanting to refinance and may need the Town of Ashfield to subordinate our lein.

Adjourned at 8:40 PM

Respectfully submitted by Tom Schreiber