

Town of Ashfield  
Select Board Meeting Minutes  
April 25, 2016

A joint Finance Committee and Select Board Meeting was held at the Ashfield Town Hall in the Committee Room on April 25, 2016 at 7:00 PM. Finance Committee did not have quorum. Previous SB meeting was held on April 15, 2016. There was one audio recorder at the meeting. Approximately 30 audience members were present at the meeting.

**Select Board:** Chair -Tom Carter, Todd Olanyk

**Finance Committee:** Chair – Ted Murray, Carol Lebold, David Newell

**Town Administrator:** Kayce Warren

**MINUTES:** No minutes for approval.

Carter gave an overview of the Fiscal Year 2017 budget.

Murray presented the budget history and factors leading up to present financial constraints, including a PowerPoint Presentation (Document 2). He outlined the financial impacts of Annual Town Meeting Warrant articles in FY2017 budget. These include increases in school costs, transfer station improvements mandated by DEP, Broadband development costs, and opposition/mitigation to Pipeline costs, that lead to the recommendation by the Select Board and Finance Committee to consider proposal of a Proposition 2 ½ Override article and ballot question. He also outlined the costs to purchase a backhoe, with repayment options, as requested in the Debt Exclusion ballot question and Town Meeting Warrant article.

There was a question and answer period at the conclusion of the presentation.

Olanyk made a motion to adjourn at 8:50 PM, seconded by Carter. **VOTE:2-0-0**

### **Document List**

- 1. Agenda 04/25/2016**
- 2. 4-25-2016 Budget Information Session Slides**