Westhampton Finance Committee Meeting Minutes
October 9, 2018

Meeting opened at 7:00 pm

Present: Tom Cleary (chair), Peter Montague, Sarah Mulvehill, Steve Holt, Tad Weiss, Joe Pipczynski, Jackie Brodeur, Steve Gagne, and Chevy Seney (secretary)

Also present: Patricia Cotton (Town Treasurer)

Motion to accept the minutes from the meeting held on September 4, 2018 was passed.
Vote: 7-0-1

The Massachusetts Municipal Directory and The Beacon were available for review.
The Association of Town Finance Committees will hold a meeting on November 3rd.

New Business

Patricia C. answered questions regarding the transfer of payroll services to Harpers.
Motion to appropriate $3,700.00 from Reserve Fund to Treasurer's Funds was approved.
Vote: 6-1-2

No information was available regarding the Police Department request for funds.

No action was taken on the proposed articles for the next Special Town Meeting (10/29/18). The committee felt that there was not enough information regarding funds that are proposed to be transferred from Vocational Education to Counsel Fees. The proposed amount of money to be transferred from Free Cash to reduce the tax rate was not included in the draft of the article.

Steve G. shared a draft of a letter to the Selectboard that encourages the board to explore new strategies for financing Counsel Fees.
Motion to send the letter to the Selectboard was approved. Vote 9-0-0

Next Meeting: Tuesday November 13, 2018 at 7:00 pm

Motion to Adjourn at 8:00 was approved. Vote: 9-0-0

Respectfully submitted,
Chevy Seney