

The Finance and Administration Subcommittee held a meeting on September 21, 2010 at the Town Hall. In attendance were: First Selectman Robert Morra; Selectman Robert Lessard; and Administrative Officer Joyce Stille.

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting began at 6:30 P.M.

2. DISCUSSION ON PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION FOR FARM BUILDINGS

The group reviewed the information and discussions to date on establishing an ordinance for farm buildings tax exemption. Draft ordinance to be discussed will not include any exemption to house seasonal farm workers. In addition, an ordinance will not take effect for the July 1, 2011 taxes. The group does want to hold an informational meeting with farmers to hear input and to share information. The meeting will be held on November 9, 2010 at 7:00 P.M. at Town Hall.

3. DISCUSSION ON ELECTRICITY BID

The group reviewed information on a discounted residential electricity program. The Town of Coventry had bid out the program. The Town of Bolton may still be able to “piggy back” on the agreement. The group recommends the Board of Selectmen enter into the agreement with Direct Energy, pending confirmation it is available to Bolton.

The group also discussed the possibility of solar panels on Town buildings. The library and fire department were the approved sites. The panels are essentially free to the Town by the vendor. The group recommends final investigation of feasibility for these sites and approval by the Board of Selectmen.

4. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting ended at 6:57 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Joyce M. Stille
Administrative Officer