## MEETING MINUTES Town of Heath Finance Committee May 1, 2018

Called to order at 6:55pm by Chair, Ned Wolf, with Gloria Fisher, Kathy Inman, and Jan Carr present.

Reviewed the 4/10 minutes. Gloria made a motion to accept as amended, Ned seconded. Unanimous approval.

Reviewed the proposed transfers for 5/1/18. Gloria made a motion to approve, Kathy seconded. Unanimous approval.

Reviewed Kara's three versions of Article 3/stipends and COLA's. Stipend for election workers can be reduced from \$1,800 to \$1,500. \$1,200 for Foot Care Clinic can come out of Council on Aging (\$4,118 left from this year – will get another \$4,500 for the upcoming year.

Gloria made a motion to accept Version 1, Jan seconded.. Unanimous approval.

Ned expressed his desire to emphasize "shared responsibility" in new stipend system. The message is the hope for new Heathans to become involved.

Tax rate of \$22.65 this year vs \$21.81 last year represents an increase of \$.84. A 3.9% decrease in electric assessment resulted in a 3.9% increase in our tax rate.

Gloria made a motion to adjourn when finished with Selectboard, Kathy seconded. Unanimous approval.

Joined Selectboard at 7:30.

Discussed reducing fire department account by \$2,000. BOH Chair-\$375 and members \$1,000 collectively.

Reduce landfill account by \$1,000.

The dollar difference between Kara's Version 1 and 3 is \$-2.25 (-\$27,519) vs \$-1.64 ((-\$20,043), approximately a \$7,500 difference.

Hopefully, the new stipends will cover childcare and encourage new volunteers.

Gloria made a motion to approve Article 3, Kathy seconded. Unanimous approval.

Adjourned at 8:30.

Respectfully submitted, Jan Carr