FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES November 16, 1992

Present: A. Biron, T. DeLuca, J. Desrochers, W. Gouveia, M. Hackett, P. Helmreich, J. Nicolas, P. Zawasky

Chair Gouveia called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Chair Gouveia announced Michael Fiore as the Committee's newest member now bringing the Finance Committee to full membership.

Before moving to tonight's preliminary review of the budget, Chair Gouveia discussed the Finance Committee's memo to Selectman Zanoni and Muriel Robbin's letter to Selectman Zanoni explaining the questions given to him by the Finance Committee. Chair Gouveia stated that the matter has now been resolved.

Chair Gouveia also discussed his letter of November 30th to Planning Board Chairman James Kelley requesting a response to the questions he asked Mr. Kelley in his initial letter of September 25th regarding the position of Planner or Planning Administrator.

Chair Gouveia next turned to the issue of a \$17,000 deficit in health insurance costs. Twelve new employees joined the health plan who were not budgeted for. Discussion of health care costs followed.

Turning to other business, Chair Gouveia noted that the Board of Selectmen voted to back a resolution to ask State representatives not to change Proposition 2 1/2.

The Committee next turned to discussion of the search for a Town Manager. Chair Gouveia noted that \$580 remains in the Town Manager's expense account and will be used for advertising this position. Discussion of the selection process for the search followed.

Chair Gouveia noted that the next meeting of the Finance Committee will be held November 30th. P. Helmreich will ask a member of the Board of Assessors to run a recap sheet so that the Committee hold a workshop meeting on the 30th to review last year's cherry sheet.

Turning to the main order of business, the Committee turned budget printout to familiarize new members with the budget by reviewing line-by-line items.

The meeting adjourned at 10:00 p.m.