Shelburne Finance Committee

June25, 2018 – Town Hall

**Present:** Chairman Leo Ojala (LO), Kristian Whitsett (KW), Jackie Walsh (JW)

1. Noteworthy News
   1. Shelley Roberts looks like a likely candidate for an open position on the Finance Committee. Has prior experience with the Long Range Planning Committee.
2. Municipal Buildings
   1. Senior Center is very interested in Mole Hollow
      1. It is looking to be approximately $3 million for the project
   2. Police Station RFP came back
      1. $500,000 for acquisition and rehabilitation
      2. LO expressed some interest in putting some of the money towards Memorial Hall if at all possible. Interior finishes need to be addressed.
3. School Finances
   1. LO recommended a committee to cooperatively develop a budget with Mohawk
   2. Similar to Gill/Montague
   3. A transparent process
   4. LO imagines a committee comprised of representatives from each of the 8 towns – which could be selectboard members, appointee’s, and/or finance committee members
   5. This would probably require an amendment to our regional agreement
   6. JW recommended potentially taking BSE out of the Mohawk District. It has saved money for Rowe – and would improve local control of the elementary school – and possibly interest as well.
4. Future Meetings
   1. Finance committee to meet with the selectboard soon regarding the proposed school budget committee
   2. Next finance committee meeting to be July 23rd.

Minutes prepared by KW