

**Essex Finance Committee
Meeting Minutes
Third-Floor Auditorium at Town Hall**

Date February 15, 2018

Members Present: Michelle Dyer, Chair - Richard Ross, Michael Flynn
Rob Fitzgibbon and Virginia Antell (Town Accountant)

The Chairmen called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

At approximately 7:08 p.m., citing the need to discuss the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property relative to a possible future site for public safety facility the Chairmen O'Donnell and Dyer each entertained a total of three separate motions for the three assembled bodies to move to Executive Session. Both stated that discussing this matter in Open Session would be detrimental to the Town's negotiating strategy and said that the Boards expected to return to Open Session to continue with the posted agenda. They invited the Town Administrator, the Town Accountant, and Board of Public Works Member Rullo to attend the Executive Session. The motion was moved and seconded. Following unanimous Roll Call Votes of each body, the Boards, and the others invited moved to Executive Session. Alden Blodget left the meeting.

The Finance Committee returned to open session at approximately 9:35 p.m.

Motions were made by a Town Building Committee member and by a Finance Committee Member to table the remaining agenda items pertaining to those bodies due to the lateness of the hour and to adjourn those sessions. Both were seconded and unanimously voted