

TOWN OF HOPKINTON

FINANCIAL TOWN ASSEMBLY PHASE OF THE FINANCIAL TOWN

ASSEMBLY/REFERENDUM PROCESS

MAY 1, 2012 - 7:30 P.M.

ASHAWAY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL GYMNASIUM

12 HILLSIDE AVENUE, ASHAWAY, RI 02804

ORDER OF BUSINESS AGENDA

- 1. Call to Order.**
- 2. Moment of silent meditation and salute to the Flag.**
- 3. Introductions by Town Moderator.**
- 4. Rules of procedure by Town Moderator.**

The amendments to the Hopkinton Town Charter changed the Financial Town Meeting process. The traditional Financial Town Meeting has now been broken down into two components, the Financial Town Assembly (former budget hearing) and the Financial

Referendum.

- **There will be no votes taken as there are no conflicting warrant items or petitions filed by electors, making the requirements of a quorum unnecessary.**
- **Sufficient copies of the budget have been prepared for public distribution.**
- **On May 9, 2012 the Town Council will make final revisions to the budget/warrants and adopt the same for placement on the ballot for the all day Referendum.**
- **The electors of the Town will vote on the budget at the Financial Referendum scheduled for June 12, 2012 at the Town Hall. Polls will be open from 7:00 AM to 9:00 PM. The vote will be an approval or rejection of the municipal budget for FY 2012/2013 including the most recently approved Chariho budget and proposed warrant items. In addition, voters will consider an alternate budget comprised of the most recently approved Chariho School budget and the previous year's approved municipal budget and all approved warrant items. There is no ability to approve or reject individual budget line items. The deadline for receiving objections to individual line item(s) was by April 12, 2012 via the filing of a petition signed by 200 of the Town's electors submitted to the Town Clerk.**

- 5. Introduction of the proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2012-2013 by Town Council President.**
- 6. Discussion on proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2012-2013.**
- 7. Discussion on proposed warrant item.**
- 8. Adjournment.**

Posted: April 27, 2012