

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Finance held at 7:30 P.M., on Wednesday, November 17, 2010.

Members Present: First Selectman Freda, Mr. Monico, Mr. Hallahan, Mr. Pieper, Ms. Vissicchio, Mr. Lianos, Mr. Kohlhepp

Also Present: Director of Finance Edward J. Swinkoski

The following materials were either mailed to the members prior to this meeting or distributed at this time.

1. Agenda – November 10, 2010
2. Agenda – Revised November 15, 2010
3. Minutes of the Special Meeting held on October 27, 2010
4. October 31, 2010 - Report of Budget
- Report of Revenue
- Special Funds
- Board of Education Accounting

MINUTES

After a brief discussion of the Minutes of the Special Meeting held on October 27, 2010, Ms. Vissicchio moved to accept the minutes as amended, seconded by Mr. Lianos.

VOTE:	Freda- Yes	Monico - Yes	Hallahan - Yes
	Pieper - Yes	Vissicchio - Yes	Kohlhepp - Yes
	Lianos - Yes		

OLD BUSINESS

Mr. Freda asked Mr. Kohlhepp if he would like to be a member of the insurance committee and also invited Mr. Hallahan to sit on the committee. The committee will also include Mr. Swinkoski, Mr. Gomeau and Mr. Freda. Mr. Freda would like to set up a meeting for the week of November 29th. Mr. Freda said that the last five months of 2009 our claims history was averaging about \$814,000 a month. The good news is that the first nine months of 2010 our claims history has dropped to \$588,000 a month.

Mr. Hallahan wanted to know who the agent of record is. Mr. Freda said that the Town will be represented by GBAC and Ovation who represents the Board of Education. These two entities have a great deal of experience working with municipalities and board of educations and will provide great prospective to the Town.

Mr. Monico said that a resident has requested that the Board of Finance Meetings be relocated to the Community Room at the Library. Mr. Monico then asked Board members their thoughts. Mr. Monico suggested that during the budget and workshop cycles the Board stay in Town Hall. He felt that the library tables did not provide enough room for the board members especially with all the reports during the budget season.

Mr. Lianos felt it was more professional at Town Hall. Mr. Pieper wanted to know if we could make Town Hall more accessible to the public. Mr. Freda said that the Town has applied for an ADA compliance grant and have already met with the architect and mapped out the location for an elevator and handicapped bathrooms. Mr. Freda felt that the Town has a very good chance of receiving this grant.

Ms. Vissicchio said that there are other groups and programs that have already been scheduled at the Community Room. Mr. Freda said we could be here one month and at the Community Room another month because there are conflicts in the schedule. Mr. Freda suggested that the Board think about it and come back with some recommendations next month.

Mr. Lianos felt we should keep the meetings here until we find out about the elevator grant.

NEW BUSINESS

REPORT OF BUDGET, REVENUE, SPECIAL FUNDS AND BOARD OF EDUCATION
ACCOUNTING OCTOBER 31, 2010

Mr. Swinkoski referred to these reports stating that tax collections at the end of October were 54.1%. Mr. Swinkoski reviewed the overexpenditure report in detail. Further discussion followed. Mr. Kohlhepp made a motion to accept the reports.

Seconded by, Mr. Lianos.

VOTE:	Freda- Yes	Monico - Yes	Hallahan - Yes
	Pieper - Yes	Vissicchio - Yes	Kohlhepp - Yes
	Lianos - Yes		

POLICE PERSONNEL

Mr. Monico began the discussion stating that there are currently two (2) unfunded positions in the police department. Chief DiCarlo has had discussions with Mr. Swinkoski about hiring a new police officer in January. There is currently a police officer out on Workers Compensation for a long term illness and this will offset payroll for a new officer without having to appropriate additional funds. The second position will not be funded this fiscal year. Ms. Vissicchio suggested that the Police Chief do a cost analysis for his budget workshop for next fiscal year.

OTHER

None.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Discussion followed for approximately 20 minutes with residents asking questions and making recommendations.

There being no further business to come before the Board, Mr. Lianos moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 PM, seconded by Ms, Vissicchio.

VOTE:	Freda- Yes	Monico - Yes	Hallahan - Yes
	Pieper - Yes	Vissicchio - Yes	Kohlhepp – Yes
	Lianos - Yes		