



BOARD OF FINANCE

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MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

Monday, June 11, 2007 - 7:30 p.m.
CJH Municipal Center – Meeting Room “A”

PRESENT: Kevin Cleary, Chairman, J. Philip Gallagher, William Britt, Spruille Braden, Jr. and Jeffrey Kenausis. **Absent:** Claudia Stephan and Kevin Riley. Also in attendance was Ann Scacco, Tax Collector.

CALL TO ORDER: Kevin Cleary called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

J. Philip Gallagher made a motion, which was seconded by William Britt, to add to tonight's agenda, under Old Business, Board of Education Salary Account. Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved.

CORRESPONDENCE: none

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Robert Fand

MINUTES OF MAY 21, 2007: William Britt made a motion, which was seconded by Jeffrey Kenausis, to approve the minutes as presented. Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved.

OLD BUSINESS

1) *Board of Education Salary Account*

J. Philip Gallagher provided the Board of Finance members with correspondence he had provided to the Board of Education regarding the salary account and transfers. Discussion took place regarding the Board of Education Salary Account.

Kevin Cleary advised that Board of Education Business Manager Theresa Yonsky will be at the next Board of Finance meeting to discuss transfers and the Board of Education account.

J. Philip Gallagher made a motion, which was seconded by William Britt, to reiterate to the Board of Education, the Board of Finance resolution of December 11,

2006 which was to request that the Board of Education, considering returning at least half of the money left in their salary account to the town to be used to reduce debt service for school related debt and also, to advise them that a response was not received.

Voting in favor of the motion: J. Philip Gallagher, Spruille Braden, Jr. and William Britt. Voting against the motion: Kevin Cleary and Jeffrey Kenausis. Motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS

1) Consideration of Tax Collector's request for Suspense Authorization

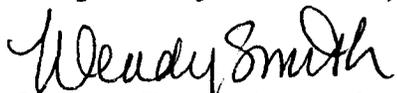
Ann Scacco, Tax Collector had presented the suspense list for consideration. She explained that approving the suspense list does not mean the taxes can not be collected, just that they are removed as a town asset. They remain a liability of the person against whomever the tax was levied. She continued that these accounts are being turned over to a collection agency.

Kevin Cleary made a motion, which was seconded by William Britt, to authorize the Tax Collector's request, dated June 6, 2007 to transfer \$86,657.81 to suspense. Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved.

ADJOURN:

As there was no further business, William Britt made a motion, which was seconded by J. Philip Gallagher, to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 p.m. Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,



Wendy Smith, Recording Secretary