



BOARD OF FINANCE

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MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

Monday, June 8, 2009
7:00 p.m.
CJH Municipal Center – Meeting Room “A”

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Present: J. Philip Gallagher, Chairman, William Britt, James Roden and Gary Regan.

Call to order/Pledge of Allegiance: J. Philip Gallagher called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Public Comments: None

Correspondence: None

Minutes of March 9, 2009 Regular Meeting: James Roden made a motion, which was seconded by William Britt, to approve the minutes as presented. Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved.

Minutes of March 19, 2009 Special Meeting: William Britt made a motion, which was seconded by Gary Regan, to approve the minutes as presented. Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved.

Minutes of April 16, 2009 Special Meeting: Gary Regan made a motion, which was seconded by William Britt, to approve the minutes as presented. Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved.

Minutes of May 20, 2009 Special Meeting: James Roden made a motion, which was seconded by J. Philip Gallagher, to approve the minutes as presented. William Britt abstained from the vote as he was not present at the meeting. Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved.

Discussion with Board of Education – Director of Fiscal Services – Board of Education account, transfers, etc.

Mrs. Yonksy was unable to attend tonight's meeting and had submitted a packet detailing upcoming Board of Education transfers. Board of Finance member James Roden advised that he would like to ask Mrs. Yonksy several questions regarding the transfers and had concerns/questions about several items including the security grant, diesel fuel refund, health

and prescription drug cost and related savings as well as amounts to be turned back to the town. He also expressed concern over their "critical wish list items" that were discussed at a recent meeting and being considered for purchase by the Board of Education.

William Britt made a motion, which was seconded by Gary Regan, to table this item to the next meeting of the Board of Finance. Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved.

James Roden made a motion, which was seconded by William Britt, to hold a Special Meeting on Monday, June 22, 2009 (if all parties are available) to discuss the Board of Education accounts and transfers. Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved.

New Business

- 1.) Consideration of recommendation from the Board of Selectmen – funding an amount not to exceed \$19,830 for additional design work associated with the Walnut Hill Road Bridge over Limekiln Brook**
- 2.) Consideration of recommendation from the Board of Selectmen – funding an amount not to exceed \$23,100 for additional design work associated with the Plumtrees Road Bridge at Whittlesey Drive and Walnut Hill Road**

Discussion took place regarding the additional design work which had been required by both the State Department of Transportation and Department of Environmental Protection. Gary Regan expressed concern that these projects have taken so long to implement and the state keeps requesting more (and more) revisions to the design work and we have no guarantees that they won't request additional changes, nor do we have a date that work will begin, etc. He wondered about the possibility of putting in deadlines and guarantees that would protect the town from additional costs and/or delays to these projects. It was noted that the town's responsibility was for the design work and the construction costs were to be paid by federal and state funds. Board of Finance members agreed that they would like to talk with the Town Engineer before acting on the resolutions.

Gary Regan made a motion, which was seconded by James Roden, to table these items to the Special Meeting on June 22, 2009. Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved.

As there was no further business on tonight's agenda, William Britt made a motion, which was seconded by J. Philip Gallagher, to adjourn the meeting at 7:29 p.m. Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,



Wendy Smith, Recording Secretary