

Approved Minutes
Board of Finance Regular Meeting
May 18, 2010
Room 206-7:30 PM

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Murry Stegelmann at 7:37 PM. All members of the Board of Finance were present except for Lorene Bora. Kate Clarke Buch, Finance Director, was present. Channel 79 was broadcasting the meeting.

Transfers

Martha Banks made a motion to approve two transfer requests by the Police Department. The requests are to move \$1500 from the Fleet services account to Station Maintenance and Supplies, and to move \$1500 from Professional Services to the facilities repair and Maintenance account. The motion was seconded and approved 6-0.

Noroton Heights Fire Department requests a transfer of \$2,700 from various accounts to Motorized Equipment repair in order to replenish the account following the need to repair a transmission on Engine 23. Liz Mao made a motion to approve the transfer. It was seconded and approved 6-0.

Darien Fire Department requests a transfer of \$3500 from Medical Services account to Motorized Equipment Repair due to overages on various maintenance requirements and repairs. Jon Zagrodzky moved the approval of the transfer, which was seconded and approved 6-0.

Department of Public Works requests \$39,480 from various accounts to the Overtime account to cover the effects of the March storm and snow removal. Gwen Mogenson made a motion to approve the transfer, which was seconded and approved 6-0.

DPW also requests \$9,800 from the electricity account to the heating fuel account. Liz Mao made a motion to approve the transfer, which was seconded and approved 6-0.

Contingency Transfer

DPW requests \$68,000 from Contingency to cover the invoices from contractors used following the March 13 /14 storm to deal with tree removal and maintenance. Jon Zagrodzky made a motion to approve the transfer. It was seconded and approved 6-0.

Approval of Minutes

March 30, 2010—Jon Zagrodzky made a motion to approve the minutes, with a minor amendment of fixing a typo. The motion was seconded and approved 6-0.

April 1, 2010-- The following changes were suggested:

Transfers: Insert in first paragraph “The Board of Finance wished to know if room requirements and program details would be provided to the architect to guide the space utilization study.”

Budget: Insert “The Board distributed a list of proposed cuts and reviewed them for the First Selectman. Callie Sullivan discussed the need to address the budgetary impact of the transfer station that is, that the fees collected now are not enough to support the operation.”

Martha Banks made a motion to approve the minutes as amended. The motion was seconded and approved 5-0-1, Gwen Mogenson abstaining.

April 6, 2010: Insert in Budget discussion “Special Education Excess Costs reimbursement is estimated to be 84% for the current year and 75% for FY 2011.” Insert in Transfer section “The motion was seconded and approved 6-1, with Ms. Bora opposed.”

Gwen Mogenson made a motion to approve the minutes as amended. The motion was seconded and approved 6-0.

April 8, 2010- Change the sentence on p.2 discussing the proposed cuts to the personnel budget, to read “Following some discussion expressing concern that this had not been proposed during Selectmen’s budget process, a vote was taken on the cut list as amended.”

Joe Duwan made a motion to approve the minutes as amended. The motion was seconded and approved 6-0.

April 27, 2010 -Joe Duwan made a motion to approve the minutes, which was seconded and approved 6-0.

Finance Director Kate Buch handed out minutes from the OPC meeting.

Martha Banks reported on discussions at the Flood Control Committee.

Jon Zagrodzky noted that the Audit Committee may meet with the new auditors. The new auditors might be starting next week.

Chairman Murry Stegelmann reported that the RTM had approved all the items the Board of Finance had sent to them.

There being no other business, Jon Zagrodzky made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was seconded and approved 6-0. The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Smith Mao, Clerk