

**BOARD OF FINANCE
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
THURSDAY, MARCH 29, 2012**

Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm in the Court Room.

ATTENDANCE THIS MEETING AND FOR ELECTION YEAR 2011-12 TOTAL 7, 4 REGULAR, 3 SPECIAL						
PRESENT	YES	YES	YES	NO	YES	YES
FOR EY	CLAUDE PELLEGRINO	JULIE LUMPKINS	WENDY SCHNIP	DEBORAH BAKER	KORD JABLONSKI	KATE TIFFANY
REGULAR	100%	100%	100%	50%	100%	100%
SPECIAL	100%	67%	67%	33%	100%	100%

Also present: Denise Dembinski, Dennison Allen, Leslie Shull, Barbara Crouch, and Barry Kolar. First Selectman Catherine Osten arrived at 8:00 pm.

1. PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

2. BUDGET PRESENTATION BY BALTIC FIRE DEPARTMENT

Les Shull presented the Baltic Fire Department budget explaining a \$9,300 increase. Discussion on capital requests. K. Jablonski commented on rough pricing in writing on demo ambulance needs. C. Osten explained and suggested the possibility of regionalizing with American Ambulance with surrounding towns. Les Shull will follow-up and to be continued at the next special meeting.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

Barry Kolar commented on published education cost per child for Sprague. Barbara Crouch stated Sprague's high test scores should be noted. Barbara Crouch inquired about ambulance/insurance fees.

4. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY ACT ON 2012-13 BUDGET HEARING RECOMMENDATION

Discussion on the budget and members made some suggestions for cuts, to be further discussed.

Motion made by K. Jablonski, seconded by J. Lumpkins, to recommend BoE operating budget inclusive of capital of \$5,993,737. Unanimously approved.

	Claude Pellegrino	Julie Lumpkins	Wendy Schnip	Deborah Baker	Kord Jablonski	Kate Tiffany
Vote	Yea	Yea	Yea	<i>Absent</i>	Yea	Yea

5. PUBLIC COMMENT

Barry Kolar suggested reductions in town hall hours and town crew.

6. REVIEW AND DISCUSS MEETING SCHEDULE

The next special meeting will be on April 12 at 7:00 pm.

7. ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by J. Lumpkins, seconded by W. Schnip, to adjourn. Approved. Meeting adjourned at 10:40 pm.

	Claude Pellegrino	Julie Lumpkins	Wendy Schnip	Deborah Baker	Kord Jablonski	Kate Tiffany
Vote	Yea	Yea	Yea	<i>Absent</i>	Yea	Yea

Claude R. Pellegrino, Chairman