

**BOARD OF FINANCE
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
THURSDAY, JUNE 12, 2014**

ATTENDANCE THIS MEETING AND FOR ELECTION YEAR 2013-14 TOTAL 13, 5 REGULAR, 8 SPECIAL						
PRESENT	YES	YES	NO	YES	YES	YES
FOR EY	CLAUDE PELLEGRINO	WENDY SCHNIP	ELLEN FROST	GERALD LACHANCE	ANN MARIE OSOWSKI	KATE TIFFANY
REGULAR	100%	60%	100%	80%	100%	100%
SPECIAL	100%	75%	88%	88%	100%	100%

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:01 PM.

ALSO PRESENT: FIRST SELECTMAN CATHERINE OSTEN, SELECTMEN DENISE DEMBINSKI AND CHERYL BLANCHARD, HARRY SEGERSTROM, NANCY SHULL, AND LORRAINE ALLEN.

1. REVIEW AND DISCUSS SPECIAL TOWN MEETING AND REFERENDUM RESULTS

At a Special Town Meeting held on June 3rd, some of the issues discussed were salaries, raises, Fire Department, Town software expenses, and the library.

At the Referendum held on June 10th, the budget passed. Vote was 266-212.

2. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY ACT ON 2014-15 MILL RATE

Motion made by G. Lachance to set the mil rate for 2014-15 at 31.0. Seconded by K. Tiffany. Approved 4 to 1. Opposed by W. Schnip.

3. REVIEW AND DISCUSS BALTIC FIRE DEPARTMENT COMMITTEE MEETING

W. Schnip and A. Osowski met with Baltic Fire Department members, Nancy Shull, Harry Segerstrom and Tim Ricatta of the Baltic Fire Department. The BoF members requested billing, expenses, any write-offs, and year-end balance. The BFD members will discuss with the other BFD members before presenting BFD finances to the BoF.

4. EXECUTIVE SESSION DISCUSSION ON TOWN AUDIT AND AUDITOR

- Board agreed not to go into executive session.
- The Town Audit has not been submitted by the Auditor in a timely manner. The audit was late last year as well.
- Discussion ensued on the town audit which did arrive today via email. Discussion on three material weaknesses related to the Town, Water & Sewer, and the Board of Education.

5. POSSIBLY ACT ON TOWN AUDIT AND AUDITOR

Motion made by A. Osowski, seconded by W. Schnip, to hire a new auditor. Discussion. Two RFP's have been submitted, waiting for one more. Unanimously approved. Discussion to have a committee to interview proposed auditors. Colette to set up appointments next week.

Motion made by C. Pellegrino to file a complaint with the State with respect to auditor and the audit. Seconded by A. Osowski. Approved. 3-2. Opposed by W. Schnip and K. Tiffany.

6. ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by W. Schnip, seconded by K. Tiffany, to adjourn. So voted. Meeting adjourned at 8:10 pm.

CLAUDE R. PELLEGRINO, CHAIRMAN