

**BOARD OF FINANCE
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
THURSDAY, MARCH 25, 2010**

Special Meeting called to order at 7:02 pm in the Finance Room by Claude Pellegrino, Chairman. Members present: Glenn Cheney, Julie Lumpkins, Karen Collins, Kate Tiffany, and Wendy Schnip. Also present: First Selectman Catherine Osten, Selectman Ed Meadows, Superintendent Ed Senesac, Cheryl Blanchard, David Giroux, Susan Zimmerman, Mary Chartier, Barbara Silvestri, and Geraldine Meadows.

1. Discuss and possibly act on Tax Collector Suspense Report

Mary Chartier explained to the Board the process of the Suspense Report.

Motion made by K. Collins, seconded by J. Lumpkins, to approve and accept the Tax Collector Suspense Report. Unanimously approved.

2. Discuss and possibly act on establishing a Baltic Fire Department reserve fund

Motion made by W. Schnip to create a Baltic Fire Department reserve fund moving the \$20,000 from the 1999-2000 fiscal year for the Ford E-1 pumper and \$15,000 from 2004-05 fiscal year for tanker into that fund. Seconded by K. Collins. Unanimously approved.

3. Discuss and possibly act on recommending the 2010-11 Budget

The Board had a lengthy discussion on 2010-11 budget.

The Board of Finance supports the Board of Education spending the estimated surplus of this current fiscal year and the Board of Finance is reducing the 2010-11 BOE budget by \$40,000.

Motion made by K. Collins to recommend to the town the 2010-11 Total Budget of \$8,499,035 with \$2,657,361 for the Town and \$5,841,674 for the Board of Education. Seconded by G. Cheney. C. Pellegrino, G. Cheney, K. Tiffany, K. Collins, and J. Lumpkins voted yea. W. Schnip voted nay. Approved.

By general acclamation, the Board adjourned at 10:45 pm.

Claude R. Pellegrino, Chairman