MINUTES

BOARD OF FINANCE - SPECIAL MEETING 2016-2017 ANNUAL BUDGET

TUESDAY, APRIL 19, 2016 - 7:00 P.M.

The Board of Finance held a Special Meeting to reconsider changes made to the 2016-2017 Oxford budget.

Present for the Board of Finance were Chairman Jack Kiley; Tom Kelly; Robert DeBisschop; Lila Ferrillo; Sue Arpin; Dana Flach. Also present: James Hliva, Finance Director.

The Board of Education requested some changes but Mr. Kiley received no communication regarding this and no BOE representative appeared at this meeting. He did, however, discuss the incorrect assumption that the Board made regarding the area at Quaker Farms School that is going to be dug up, i.e. the curbing. He would like to put back \$155,000 to repave and repair walkways at Quaker Farms and \$163,000 for temperature control at Quaker Farms, which the Town will receive reimbursement from the State.

Mr. Kiley made the motion to put back \$155,000 into the Capital Plan for repair and repave concrete walkways at Quaker Farms School. Mr. Kelly seconded the Motion. Mr. Kelly asked where is will this be sourced from. Ms. Ferrillo and Mr. DeBisschop both said the funds should come from General Fund.

Ms. Flach asked what will be used on the concrete in the winter to maintain the walkways. Mr. Kiley said this was a good suggestion and he will send an email to the BOE. Ms. Flach is concerned about the Board coming back in a few years to repair the concrete damaged by the salt.

Aye Nay Abstain
Jack Kiley
Dana Flach
Sue Arpin
Lila Ferrillo
Tom Kelly
Bob DeBisschop

All in favor; Motion passes.

Ms. Ferrillo made a Motion to replace the \$163,000 into Capital Plan to fund the temperature control at Quaker Farms School. Mr. DeBisschop seconded the Motion. Mr. Kelly asked when the money is reimbursed does it go into General Fund as opposed to being turned over to the Board of Education. A vote was taken.

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Aye Nay Abstain
Jack Kiley Tom Kelly
Dana Flach
Sue Arpin
Lila Ferrillo
Bob DeBisschop

All in favor; Motion passes.

Mr. Kelly made a Motion to return \$49,000 to Capital Plan to replace Center School roofs. Ms. Arpin seconded the Motion. A discussion was held among the Board members regarding the issue of the need/use for the money. The funding will come out of General Fund. A vote was taken.

Aye Nay Abstain
Jack Kiley
Dana Flach
Sue Arpin
Lila Ferrillo
Tom Kelly
Bob DeBisschop

All in favor; Motion passes.

Ms. Flach made a Motion to move monies out of General Fund and into Revenue which will increase Revenues to \$1,221,677. Mr. Kelly seconded the Motion. A vote was taken.

Aye Nay Abstain
Jack Kiley
Dana Flach
Sue Arpin
Lila Ferrillo
Tom Kelly
Bob DeBisschop

All in favor; Motion passes.

The Board of Finance had a discussion regarding the proposed reduction by the State of \$383,000. A lengthy conversation ensued.

Ms. Ferrillo asked to have a memo sent to Mr. Temple as to status of Town-wide garbage pickup.

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Ms. Ferrillo made a Motion to remove the extra person from Public Works. The person will not be allowed to work Tuesday through Saturday. Mr. Kelly seconded the Motion.

Aye Nay Abstain
Jack Kiley
Dana Flach
Sue Arpin
Lila Ferrillo
Tom Kelly
Bob DeBisschop

All in favor; Motion passes.

Mr. Hliva brought up the benefits that is associated with the Public Works person. These funds have to be removed. The medical is \$21,216. FICA also needs to be removed. \$19,492 and \$12,259 are the amounts to be returned.

Ms. Flach made a Motion to return \$19,492 and \$12,259 back into the General Fund. Mr. Kiley seconded the Motion. A vote was taken.

Aye Nay Abstain
Jack Kiley
Dana Flach
Sue Arpin
Lila Ferrillo
Tom Kelly
Bob DeBisschop

All in favor; Motion passes.

Ms. Flach made the Motion to reduce Teamsters insurance by \$21,216 medical insurance. Mr. DeBisschop seconded the Motion. A vote was taken.

Aye Nay Abstain
Jack Kiley
Dana Flach
Sue Arpin
Lila Ferrillo
Tom Kelly
Bob DeBisschop

All in favor; Motion passes.

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Mr. Kelly made the Motion to add back to General Fund the Social Security (\$2,051.00) included with the proposed Public Works new hire. Ms. Flach seconded the Motion. A vote was taken.

Aye Nay Abstain
Jack Kiley
Dana Flach
Sue Arpin
Lila Ferrillo
Tom Kelly
Bob DeBisschop

All in favor; Motion passes.

The new total 2016-2017 budget is \$45,707.411 with the mill rate being 24.22. Mr. Kiley stated that every year the base goes up. This year the new budget is \$45,390,000. Base went up 1.366.

Mr. Kelly made the Motion to have \$45,707,411 presented to the Town Meeting. Ms. Arpin seconded the Motion. A vote was taken.

Aye Nay Abstain
Jack Kiley
Dana Flach
Sue Arpin
Lila Ferrillo
Tom Kelly
Bob DeBisschop

All in favor; Motion passes.

Ms. Ferrillo made the Motion to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Flach seconded the Motion. A vote was taken.

Aye Nay Abstain

Jack Kiley

Dana Flach

Sue Arpin

Lila Ferrillo

Tom Kelly

Bob DeBisschop

All in favor; Motion passes.

Respectfully submitted,

Lynnette Lleves