



MINUTES of the regular meeting of the Board of Estimate and Taxation held on Tuesday, April 12, 2011 in the Town Hall Meeting Room, Greenwich, CT.

Chairman Stephen Walko called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M., after which the members pledged allegiance to the flag.

Board members in attendance:

Stephen G. Walko, Chairman
Jim Campbell, Vice Chairman
Joseph L. Pellegrino, Clerk
William R. Finger
Randall Huffman
William G. Kelly
Michael S. Mason
Arthur D. Norton
Jeffrey S. Ramer
Laurence B. Simon
Leslie L. Tarkington

Absent: Nancy E. Barton

Staff: Peter Mynarski, Comptroller; Roland Gieger, Budget Director; John Crary, Town Administrator

Other: Stephen Warzoha, RTM

NON-ROUTINE APPLICATIONS

PR-1 Parks & Recreation – Additional Appropriation \$155,750

Additional Appropriation:

\$ 155,750 to Z834-59700-11170 Cos Cob Retaining Wall
\$ 155,750 from Capital Non-Recurring Fund

Mr. Mason explained that this request is due to environmental issues which have escalated the cost of the project. Mr. Huffman felt that there should have been a better estimate of the project.

Upon a motion by Mr. Mason, seconded by Mr. Pellegrino, the Board voted 10-1-0 (Mr. Huffman opposed) to approve the application.

SE-12 First Selectman – Additional Appropriation \$8,089.41

Additional Appropriation:

\$8,089.41	to	P935-57350	Settlement – Klintberg v. TOG
\$8,089.41	from		Risk Fund Balance

Mr. Campbell explained that this settlement was for a claim for damages resulting from a car accident.

Upon a motion by Mr. Campbell, seconded by Mr. Pellegrino, the Board voted 11-0-0 to approve the application.

PD-6 Police – Approval to Accept \$13,088.94

Approval to Accept:

\$12,901.86	to	F217-51100	Overtime Services
\$ 187.08	to	F217-57050	Benefits
\$13,088.94	from	F217-43400	DUI Enforcement Program

Mr. Mason explained that this request was for FY 2010.

Upon a motion by Mr. Mason, seconded by Mr. Simon, the Board voted 11-0-0 to approve the application.

PD-7 Police – Approval to Accept \$14,014.29

Approval to Accept:

\$13,813.99	to	F217-51100	Overtime Services
\$ 200.30	to	F217-57050	Benefits
\$14,014.29	from	F217-43400	DUI Enforcement Program

Mr. Mason explained that this request was for FY 2011.

Upon a motion by Mr. Mason, seconded by Mr. Simon, the Board voted 11-0-0 to approve the application.

ASSESSOR'S REPORT

Mr. Walko stated that since Mr. Gwartney and Mr. Shipman were unable to attend this meeting, any questions or comments regarding this report will be taken up at the May meeting.

Upon a motion by Ms. Tarkington, seconded by Mr. Pellegrino, the Board voted 11-0-0 to accept the Assessor's Report.

COMPTROLLER'S REPORT

Mr. Mynarski presented the Comptroller's Report to the Board and stated that a policy change will be forthcoming from the Law Department such that all settlement claims--regardless of value-- will go to the RTM Claims Committee for approval after BET Approval. Currently only

claims over \$5,000 go to the RTM Claims Committee for approval. The proposed change will be reviewed by the Law Committee. Mr. Mynarski updated the Board on the status of engaging HDG to review the Nathaniel Witherell Project Renew Long Range Plan.

Upon a motion by Mr. Norton, seconded by Mr. Ramer, the Board voted 11-0-0 to accept the Comptroller's report.

ACCEPTANCE OF TREASURER'S REPORT SHOWING INVESTMENT PORTFOLIO ACTIVITY FOR THE PERIOD OF March 1, 2011 – March 31, 2011

Upon a motion by Mr. Finger, seconded by Mr. Pellegrino, the Board voted 11-0-0 to accept the Treasurer's Report.

BET Standing Committee Reports

BET Liaison Reports

Nathaniel Witherell

BET Special Project Team Reports

Mr. Kelly reported that the MISA Building Committee is trying to increase the hard costs in Phase 1 of the project.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Mr. Walko shared comments regarding the Board members attendance at RTM Committee and District meetings. Mr. Walko also stated that the Board will set the mill rate on Thursday May12, after approval of the budget by the RTM.

OLD BUSINESS

Discussion April and May Board Meetings Dates

Mr. Walko stated that the BET Regular Meeting will be held on Thursday, May 12, 2011, at 6:30 P.M., instead of Monday May, 16, 2011.

BET Committee Monthly Topics

Mr. Walko requested that the Committees monthly topics through the end of the calendar year be finalized and submitted this month.

NEW BUSINESS

BET Monthly Topics

Mr. Walko suggested that the Debt Policy will be presented at the June meeting for the first read by the Board and then adopted in July, Nathaniel Witherell and the HR Study in the Fall, and Cityview later in the year. Discussion topic suggestions from other Board members included

major capital expenditures looking forward, Town wide infrastructure, review of updated operational plans, and the administrative consolidated study.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

BET Regular Meeting, March 21, 2011

Upon a motion by Ms. Tarkington, seconded by Mr. Campbell, the Board voted 11-0-0 to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of the BET from March 21, 2011.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:28 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,



Maria Bocchino, Recording Secretary



Joseph L. Pellegrino, Clerk of the Board



Stephen G. Walko, Chairman