

TOWN OF GREENWICH
BOARD OF ESTIMATE AND TAXATION BUDGET COMMITTEE
MINUTES
Town Hall Meeting Room
Monday, February 4, 2013

Committee:

Present: Joseph L. Pellegrino, Chairman; William R. Finger, Jeffrey S. Ramer, Leslie L. Tarkington

Board: Gregory Bedrosian, Robert Brady, Sean Goldrick, Randall Huffman, Marc Johnson, Michael Mason, Art Norton

Selectmen: Peter Tesei, First Selectman; Drew Marzullo; David Theis

Staff: Peter Mynarski, Comptroller; Michael Rosen, Administrative Manager, Selectmen's Office; William McKersie, Superintendent; Ellen Flanagan, Deputy Superintendent; Irene Parisi, Assistant Superintendent; Kim Eves, Director of Communications; Mary Forde, Director of Pupil Personnel Services, Board of Education; Joseph Siciliano, Director; Tom Greco, Assistant Director, Parks and Recreation; Amy Siebert, Commissioner, Public Works; Denise Savageau, Director, Conservation; Mary Pepe, Director, Human Resources; Tod Laudonia, Tax Collector; Carmela Budkins, Town Clerk; Alan Barry, Commissioner, Social Services; Peter Siecienski, Chief; Robert Kick, Assistant Chief, Fire Department

Other: Leslie Moriarty, Chairman, Board of Education

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 P.M.

PROPOSED BUDGET FY2013-2014

Mr. Tesei presented the Town's proposed FY 2013-2014 Budget to the Committee.

Ms. Moriarty and Dr. McKersie presented the Board of Education's proposed FY2013-2014 Budget to the Committee.

PUBLIC HEARING

The public hearing session was called to order at 7:02 P.M.

Mr. Pellegrino gave brief instructions regarding the Public Hearing session and the remainder of the Budget review process.

Emily Sternberg, President, Jr. League – In support of Byram Pool Project, sharing comments regarding the history of the project, a public/private partnership, fundraising, and the Town's priorities.

Jennifer Meredith, President, GHS PTA – Expressed gratitude for the continued support of the MISA Project.

John Blankley – Shared concerns regarding budget decreases, elimination of the school's Art/Music Coordinator position, and decreased spending on property maintenance.

Lisa Beth Savitz, President, PTA Council – Shared comments in support of the BOE Budget and regarding planning for educational needs, facilities maintenance, and the constraints of the CIP process.

Gaetane Francis – Shared comments in support of the BOE Budget and concerns regarding the impact of decreases on educational needs.


Donald Conway – Shared comments in support of the Byram Pool Project.

Jane Beattie and Louise McKenna – Shared comments concerning Brownhouse Road traffic and safety issues.

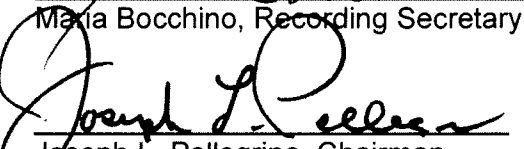
Christine Edwards, RTM District #8 – Shared comments regarding increasing borrowing to fund the Byram Pool Project, and concerns regarding the cuts in education, BOE staff reductions, and facilities maintenance.

There being no further business before the committee, the meeting was adjourned at 7:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,



Maria Bocchino, Recording Secretary



Joseph L. Pellegrino, Chairman