

**TOWN OF GREENWICH
BOARD OF ESTIMATE AND TAXATION BUDGET COMMITTEE**

MINUTES
Cone Meeting Room
Thursday, March 6, 2014

Committee

Present: Marc V. Johnson, Chairman; Jeffrey S. Ramer, Leslie L. Tarkington
Absent: Mary Lee Kiernan,

Board: Michael Mason, BET Chairman, John Blankley, Bill Drake, William Finger,
Randall Huffman, Nancy Weissler

Selectmen: Peter Tesei, First Selectman

Staff: Peter Mynarski, Comptroller; Roland Gieger, Budget Director; Allen Brown, Nathaniel Witherell Executive Director; Raymond Augustine, Director of Financial Operations, Lloyd Bankson, Board Member Nathaniel Witherell; Joseph Roberto, Superintendent, DPW Highway Division, Dave Thompson, Deputy Commissioner Highway Division, Bill McCormick, Business Office Manager Highway Division, Alan Monelli, Superintendent DPW Building & Construction; James Boutelle, Executive Director, TAG, Michael Miller, TAG Board Treasurer

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 P.M.

Requests for Budget Adjustments

<u>PW-4</u>	<u>DPW</u>	<u>Additional Appropriation</u>
\$1,015,000	A31251100, 51300, 52300, 53750	Snow & Ice Control

Mr. Roberto requested an additional appropriation based on the magnitude of this Winter's snow cleanup and the projection of additional snowfall in March. He pointed out that there were 18 snow-days, several back-to-back, with melting to accelerate cleanup. Mr. Johnson asked if there was a deficit already or if the request was in anticipation. Mr. McCormick indicated that Overtime and Temporary Salary expenditures had already been made.

On a motion by Mr. Ramer, seconded by Ms. Tarkington, the Committee voted 3-0-0 to forward this request to the Board of Estimate & Taxation as a Non-Routine application.

On a motion by Ms. Tarkington, seconded by Mr. Ramer, the Committee voted 3-0-0 to approve the request and forward it to the Board of Estimate & Taxation.

<u>PW-5</u>	<u>DPW</u>	<u>Additional Appropriation</u>
\$ 215,000	A345 54050	Maintenance of Buildings

Mr. Monelli requested the additional appropriation of \$215,000 broken out as follows: \$88,000 for damages from Hurricane Sandy; \$50,000 for repairs of the Town Hall Cooling Tower; and \$75,000 for repairs to a Town Hall elevator. He explained that this line item was now overdrawn.

On a motion by Mr. Ramer, seconded by Ms. Tarkington, the Committee voted 3-0-0 to forward this request to the Board of Estimate & Taxation as a Routine application.

On a motion by Ms. Tarkington, seconded by Mr. Ramer, the Committee voted 3-0-0 to approve the request and forward it to the Board of Estimate & Taxation.

<u>NW-3</u>	<u>Nathaniel Witherell</u>	<u>Transfer of Funds</u>
\$ 100,500	H45020 54010, 54060, 56100	General & Elevator Maintenance Allocated Insurance Expense

Mr. Brown and Mr. Augustine requested funds be transferred for unanticipated elevator and HVAC expenses as well as larger than expected snow removal expenses. The funds would be sourced from unused interest and principle payments due to delayed bond issuance.

On a motion by Mr. Ramer, seconded by Ms. Tarkington, the Committee voted 3-0-0 to forward this request to the Board of Estimate & Taxation as a Routine application.

On a motion by Ms. Tarkington, seconded by Mr. Ramer, the Committee voted 3-0-0 to approve the request and forward it to the Board of Estimate & Taxation.

Old Business: None

New Business:

Mr. Boutelle and Mr. Miller made a presentation to the Budget Committee on TAG operational needs and the variety of service demands made on its resources. They detailed why additional funds for 2014-2015 FY would be needed due to a potential reduction in other outside funding.

Mr. Johnson thanked Mr. Boutelle for providing the Committee with the Audit and Operational information and requested compensation data be forwarded to all the members of the BET prior to its meeting on March 17, 2014.

Report - Status of Current Economic Conditions

Mr. Gieger reported that it was too early in the month to have a picture of TOG's monthly financial status.

Approval of BET Budget Committee Meeting Minutes

February 3, 2014 – Public Hearing Night

On a motion by Ms. Tarkington, seconded by Mr. Ramer, the Committee voted 3-0-0 to approve the Minutes of the February 3, 2014 – Public Hearing Night

February 4, 2014 – Department Reviews Day 1

On a motion by Ms. Tarkington, seconded by Mr. Ramer, the Committee voted 3-0-0 to approve the Minutes of the February 4, 2014 – Department Reviews Day 1

February 6, 2014 – BOE Departmental & Capital Review

On a motion by Ms. Tarkington, seconded by Mr. Ramer, the Committee voted 3-0-0 to approve the Minutes of the February 6, 2014 – BOE Departmental & Capital Review

February 10, 2014 – Department Reviews Day 2

On a motion by Ms. Tarkington, seconded by Mr. Ramer, the Committee voted 3-0-0 to approve the Minutes of the February 10, 2014 – Department Reviews Day 2

February 11, 2014 – Regular Monthly BET Budget Committee Meeting

On a motion by Ms. Tarkington, seconded by Mr. Ramer, the Committee voted 3-0-0 to approve the Minutes of the February 11, 2014 – Regular Monthly BET Budget Committee Meeting

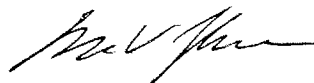
There being no further business before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 7:55 P.M. on a motion by Mr. Ramer, seconded by Ms. Tarkington, by a vote of 3-0-0.

The next meeting will be Thursday, April 16, 2014 at 6:30 P.M. in the Cone Room.

Respectfully submitted,



Catherine Sidor, Recording
Secretary



Marc V. Johnson, Chairman