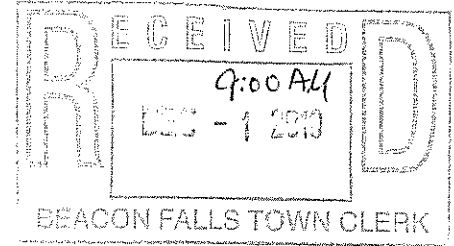


TOWN of BEACON FALLS
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**TOWN OF BEACON FALLS
BOARD OF FINANCE
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
BOND PACKAGE DISCUSSION
Monday, November 29, 2010**

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman of the Board of Finance W. Hopkinson called the Special Meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

Present: BOF Chairman W. Hopkinson, Vice Chairman G. Smith, Board of Finance members L. Krepinevich, B. Ploss, R. Doiron and C. Bielik

Also present were Selectmen D. Sorrentino and M. Krenesky

W. Hopkinson began the meeting stating that she called the meeting at the request of some members of the Board of Finance and gave the floor to those who wanted to speak.

B. Ploss began discussing his thoughts on the Fire Department Ambulance Fund. He noted that he has always felt very strongly that Fire Department should keep the Ambulance revenue collected from ambulance calls and put it in a fund towards the replacement of ambulances. A discussion continued regarding an example of funds such as the 80/20 split of revenue and the contractual agreement in place for the 80/20 split. B. Ploss noted that on average, the Town of Beacon Falls puts approximately \$20,000 into what would be classified as a general slush fund. He suggested that we take \$20,000 off of the \$60,000 that they give to the town each year and then after four years, the Fire Department could start factoring it in for replacement of their vehicles. W. Hopkinson noted that the town would then lose some revenue. B. Ploss pointed out that at some point they should be able to, within reason, fund their own ambulance.

A discussion continued regarding this subject. Items of discussion included; the possibility of the money being spent and not on the ambulance, terms on the contract, the vehicle being town property under this plan, a shorter term purchase as opposed to bonding and that this subject needs further discussion.

B. Ploss would like to set up another meeting to discuss this. It was noted that the current agreement has to be looked at and the possibility of the Board of Finance making a recommendation to the BOS for this contract to be revisited/revisted.

It was noted that discussion of the Ambulance Service Contract will be added to the Regular Monthly BOF Agenda for December.

R. Doiron noted that he is certainly interested in meeting with the Fire Department regarding their concerns about the bond package however he wants to make sure that the BOF is not setting a precedence for future issues and other departments. He noted that the votes have been taken regarding the bond package and the decision has been made as to what will be presented to the town regarding the bond package. He noted that all departments have had their opportunity to let the BOF know what their needs are.

G. Smith noted that he was of the understanding that the meeting was not to change anything but to discuss how the Fire Department and BOF will go forward with addressing the Fire Departments equipment needs. He noted that the meeting was not to revisit the items already agreed on but to go forward and to try and come up with other options to pursue some of the items that the Fire Department would like to purchase.

C. Bielik noted that he is comfortable with G. Smith's explanation and did have the same concerns as R. Doiron prior to this meeting.

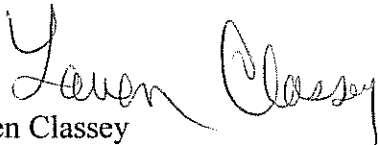
W. Hopkinson noted that at the Joint BOF/Fire Department meeting, she would like the Fire Department Officers who will be speaking to sit at the table with the Board of Finance.

With no further items to discuss,

R. Doiron motioned to adjourn the meeting. G. Smith 2nd the motion. All voted aye.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:15 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,



Lauren Classey
Clerk for the Board of Finance

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