### **Bridgewater Board of Finance**

Town of Bridgewater

Town Hall ● P.O. Box 216 ● Bridgewater, CT 06752

Nancy Hawley, Chairman

# BOARD OF FINANCE REGULAR MEETING May 18, 2011

**Members present:** Chairman-Nancy Hawley, Walter Barlow, Lori Franklin, Michael Reed, Donald Shail, Molly Stratton

Guest present: First Selectman, William Stuart

**Agenda Item #1:** Call to order at 7:04PM by Chairman Hawley.

#### Agenda Item #2:

## Minutes of the April 6, 2011 Special Meeting

Following a review of the Minutes, the Board made the following corrections:

- (1) <u>Members present:</u> Nancy Hawley-Chairman, Walter Barlow, Michael Reed, Donald Shail, Molly Stratton
- (2) Agenda Item #4: Chairman Hawley distributed to Board members, a copy of a letter received.

<u>Motion</u> to accept the corrections, was offered by Michael Reed, with a second by Donald Shail – Unanimously approved.

<u>Motion</u> to accept the Minutes of April 6, 2011 as corrected, was offered by Walter Barlow, with a second by Donald Shail. Unanimously accepted.

# Minutes of April 14, 2011 Special Meeting

Following a review of the Minutes, the Board approved the Minutes of April 14, 2011, as presented.

<u>Motion:</u> Michael Reed Second: Donald Shail Unanimously approved.

# **Agenda Item #3:** Report from Treasurer

Revenue and Expense Reports were distributed to the Board. The Board followed their study of the reports, with questions and discussion with First Selectman Stuart.

\*Board Member Lori Franklin joined the meeting via telephone.

#### **Agenda Item #4:** Report from Tax Collector

Chairman Hawley distributed a tax suspense document from the Tax Collector, for perusal. Following an examination of the document, a <u>Motion</u> was offered by Michael Reed, to accept the recommendation of the Tax Collector to transfer certain uncollected taxes to the suspense tax book. Second by Walter Barlow. Unanimously approved.

#### Agenda Item #5: Budget FY 2012 tax abatement program

Chairman Hawley reviewed the tax abatement program and reported there is an \$11,000 surplus in the account.

Following discussion, a <u>motion</u> was offered by Michael Reed with a second by Nancy Hawley, to transfer \$11,000 from the tax abatement line item to Capital Projects. Yea: Hawley, Reed, Franklin

Nay: Shail, Stratton, Barlow Motion failed.

<u>Motion</u> offered by Molly Stratton, with a second by Walter Barlow, to reduce the overall budget by \$11,000 from the tax abatement line item.

Yea: Hawley, Reed, Shail, Stratton, Barlow

Nay: Franklin Motion carried.

Chairman Hawley reminded the Board of the Budget Town Meeting on May 20, 2011 and called a BOF Special Meeting immediately following the Town Meeting, for the purpose of setting the mil rate.

## <u>Adjournment:</u>

A motion to adjourn at 8:55PM was offered by Michael Reed, with a second by Molly Stratton. Unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted, Patricia D. Barlow, Clerk