

Town of Colchester, Connecticut

127 Norwich Avenue, Colchester, Connecticut 06415

Board of Finance

October 3, 2012 – Regular Meeting Town Hall – Room 1 127 Norwich Avenue

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairman Robert Tarlov, Vice Chairman Robert Esteve, Cathy Rompe

Shilosky, Thomas Kane.

MEMBERS ABSENT: John Ringo.

OTHERS PRESENT: First Selectman Gregg Schuster, Selectmen James Ford, Rosemary Coyle;

Finance Director Maggie Cosgrove, Director of Public Works James Paggioli, Recreation Manager Cheryl Hancin, Treasurer Greg LePage, other citizens.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Vice Chairman Esteve called this meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - SEPTEMBER 12, 2012

Motion by: A. Shilosky

to approve the minutes of the September 12, 2012, Regular Meeting of the Board of

Finance, as read.

Second by: T. Kane.

Vote: Unanimous.

3. CITIZEN COMMENTS

No comments were received.

4. ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

No additions were requested.

5. REVIEW OF TOWN MEASUREMENT DATA AND PROGRAM FUND – PARK & RECREATION

Cheryl Hancin presented the Board members with a review of the monthly cash flow and balance report. C. Hancin explained the enrollment/participation for the various programs. Discussion followed regarding the program fund and management of the accounts.

6. DEPARTMENT REPORTS

a. Finance Department

M. Cosgrove reported that the delayed school construction payments have been received.

b. Tax Collector

Absent, no report.

c. Treasurer

G. LePage reported no changes, interest still low.

7. FIRST SELECTMAN'S REPORT

a. Transfer Requests

No transfer requests were presented.

b. First Selectman's Update

First Selectman Schuster stated he will be initiating a blight ordinance discussion at the Selectmen's meeting tomorrow night. The Lebanon Avenue streets lamps have been installed

but are not fully operational. The solar panels will be installed in approximately two weeks. The Lions Club Pumpkins 'N' Pooches Fair will take place, Sunday, October 7, 2012. Selectman Schuster attended the library's Board of Trustees meeting. Citizens are adjusting to the change in hours at the library.

8. CORRESPONDENCE

No correspondence received.

9. LIAISON REPORTS

Cragin Library Liaison C. Pompei noted that the Norton Room is being painted, the Garden Club continues to provide free gardening services. C. Pompei said the Fire Department will be having demonstrations from vendors to purchase a piece of equipment.

Art Shilosky stated the Police Commission did not have a quorum and The WJJMS/ Community Center/Senior Center Building Committee has not met this month.

- R. Tarlov said the Youth Services did not have a meeting. The Board of Education (BOE) budget subcommittee discussed the health insurance account.
- R. Esteve reported that the BOE is discussing student tuition expenses with regard to the magnet schools. The BOE would like to look into offering programs to address the needs of students that are attracted to magnet schools. The BOE has started their budget process.

10. OLD BUSINESS

a. Review and Discussion - Energy Project

J. Paggioli attended a meeting today with Celtic Energy to discuss outstanding issues. A Board of Selectmen meeting is scheduled for October 9, 2012 at 5:00 p.m. to reformat the project.

b. Improving the Budget Process

No discussion at this time.

c. Update on Health Insurance Fund and Subcommittee Meetings

M. Cosgrove will contact the insurance company for a meeting in early November.

11. NEW BUSINESS

a. Emergency Preparedness – financial impact and process for appropriating emergency funds
Recently C. Pompei received certification after completing an emergency preparedness class. One
of the subjects discussed was the availability of funds for and during an emergency. Board members
will look into formulating a policy or procedure for their involvement in an emergency situation.

12. CITIZEN COMMENTS

None received.

13. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by: A. Shilosky

to adjourn

Second by: R. Tarlov.

Vote:

Unanimous.

Vice Chairman adjourned this Regular Meeting at 8:16 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Jane Slade

Clerk

Note: This meeting was recorded by a digital audio recording system and is available through the First Selectman's office in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act.