



# Town of Colchester, Connecticut

127 Norwich Avenue, Colchester, Connecticut 06415

**Board of Finance Minutes  
Regular Meeting  
Wednesday, December 18, 2013  
Town Hall - 7:00 P.M.**

HANCOY A. BRAY  
TOWN CLERK

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**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Rob Tarlov (via phone conference), Rob Esteve, Art Shilosky, John Ringo and James McNair  
**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Thomas Kane  
**OTHERS PRESENT:** First Selectman Gregg Schuster, Maggie Cosgrove, Jim Paggioli, Kurt Frantzen, Dot Mrowka and Civic Students

1. **CALL TO ORDER**  
Vice Chairman R. Esteve called the Wednesday, December 18, 2013 meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.
2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Regular meeting – December 4, 2013**  
J. Ringo **MOTIONED** to approve the minutes of December 4, 2013 regular meeting as typed.  
**SECONDED** by A. Shilosky. All other members present voted in favor, **MOTION CARRIED.**
3. **Approval of Minutes of November 20, 2013 Regular Meeting**  
J. Ringo **MOTIONED** to approve the minutes of November 20, 2013 regular meeting as typed.  
**SECONDED** by A. Shilosky. All other members present voted in favor, **MOTION CARRIED.**
4. **Approval of Minutes of December 11, 2013 Special Tri-Board Meeting**  
J. Ringo **MOTIONED** to approve the minutes of December 11, 2013 special tri-board meeting as typed.  
**SECONDED** by A. Shilosky. J. McNair abstained. All other members present voted in favor, **MOTION CARRIED.**
5. **ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA**  
None
6. **CITIZENS COMMENTS**  
None
7. **AMBULANCE INCENTIVE REVIEW – Discussion and Possible Action**  
Discussion was had regarding the impact the fire department incentive program will have on the budget, the increase in the amount of money that is needed to continue the funding of this program and what the strategic plan will be for the future of the program. A. Shilosky **MOTIONED** to postpone the transfer of \$48,000 of the Fire Department to January 16, 2014. **SECONDED** by J. McNair. All members present voted in favor, **MOTION CARRIED.**
8. **CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT, MAINTENANCE AND REPARATION PLANS – Jim Paggioli**  
J. Paggioli asked that the word “reparation” be changed to “repair plan”. J. Paggioli presented a draft of the Colchester Fire Department Company 1 capital improvement, maintenance and repair plan for the Board of Finance members to review.

At this time it was asked if the Board of Finance members would like Chief Cox to attend tonight’s meeting to address questions the board members have regarding the ambulance incentive review. The consensus was to defer to the next meeting. Discussion was had. A. Shilosky **MOTIONED** to appropriate \$8,000

out of fund balance to carry the program until January 16, 2014. **SECONDED** by J. McNair. R. Tarlov stated he was against approving 1/6<sup>th</sup> of the \$48,000 that is being requested but would be in favor of 1/6<sup>th</sup> of the \$32,000. A. Shilosky **AMENDED** his motion to appropriate \$5,500 out of fund balance to carry the ambulance incentive program for a month. **SECONDED** by J. McNair. All members present voted in favor, **MOTION CARRIED**.

Discussion continued regarding the capital improvement, maintenance and repair plan. J. Paggioli asked if the form is acceptable. The board members agreed on the format with a few requests.

**9. DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

**a. Finance Department**

M. Cosgrove distributed the November reports and stated revenue is on target and expenditure remains consistent compared to one year ago.

**b. Treasurer**

None

**c. Tax Collector**

Board members received tax collector report and M. Cosgrove stated they are on target as of today. First Selectman G. Schuster stated he has received feedback regarding recent tax bills that were sent out to collections and would like to have a broader discussion on this in the future.

**10. FIRST SELECTMAN'S REPORT**

**a. Transfer Requests**

J. Ringo **MOTIONED** to approve the budget transfer of \$5,500 from "Other Purchased Supplies (13201-42340)," to \$5,500 "Professional Services (13201-44208)."

**b. First Selectman's Update**

First Selectman Schuster provided answers to previous questions that the Board of Finance members asked regarding Park & Recreation 2012/2013 budget transfers. First Selectman Schuster also stated Rescue 128 financing bids came back and the bid that will be recommended is exactly what was budgeted for and gave an overview of where the town stands with MIRMA.

**11. CORRESPONDENCE**

None

**12. NEW BUSINESS**

None

**13. OLD BUSINESS**

**a. Building Project – update and possible discussion**

None

**b. Discussion and Possible Action on future Elected Officials Compensation Process**

Review was had of what has been discussed to date.

**14. CITIZENS COMMENTS**

None

**15. ADJOURNMENT**

Art Shilosky **MOTIONED** to adjourn at 8:39 p.m. **SECONDED** by J. McNair. All members present voted in favor, **MOTION CARRIED**.

Respectfully Submitted,

Gina Santos, Clerk