# BOARD OF FINANCE TOWN OF EAST WINDSOR 11 RYE STREET BROAD BROOK, CONNECTICUT 06016

# MINUTES OF PUBLIC HEARING Wednesday, May 28, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.

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**Members Present:** Jerilyn Corso, Chairman; Cindy Herms, Robert Little, Robert Maynard,

Kathy Pippin and Sharon Tripp.

Members Absent: All regular members present

**Alternate Present:** Paulette Broder. **Alternate Absent:** Gilbert Hayes.

Others: Town Treasurer: Kim Lord; First Selectman: Denise Menard;

**Selectmen:** Jason Bowsza, Deputy First Selectman; Dale Nelson; **East Windsor Public Schools**: Dr. Theresa Kane, Superintendent; various members of the Board of Education, including Kathy Bilodeau, Chris

Mickey, Bill Schultz, Cathy Simonelli, and others.

**Press:** No one from the press was present.

#### I. <u>Call to Order:</u>

Chairman Corso called the Public Hearing to Order at 7:01 p.m.

# **II.** Time and Place of Meeting:

Town Hall Meeting Room, 11 Rye Street, Broad Brook, CT.

#### **III.** Appointment of Alternates:

Chairman Corso noted all Regular Members of the Board were present this evening; it would not be necessary to appoint an Alternate.

#### **IV.** Public Participation:

<u>Cathy Simonelli, 71 Depot Street:</u> Mrs. Simonelli wanted to point out the small margin of the budget vote; she felt that's the town telling the Boards they were close to what the people feel we need. She urged the Board not to cut too much more from any budget.

<u>Len Norton, 15 Barber Hill Road, and also Director of Public Works, Facilities</u>

<u>Manager, and Tree Warden:</u> Mr. Norton noted \$297,900 was taken from a variety of his budgets in addition to a \$500,000 prior reduction; he reported no one else was it that

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hard. Mr. Norton respectfully requested that nothing else be taken from any of those budgets.

<u>Dick Pippin:</u> Mr. Pippin reported he didn't vote last time because all the cuts were taken on one side; he felt the cuts need to be taken equally and fairly rather than out of the 40% which is the Town budget.

Bill Schultz, Lindsey Lane, member of the Board of Education, also speaking as a resident: Mr. Schultz referenced the comments that money was taken from the Town budget, he felt the Town found money from a fiscal analysis. Mr. Schultz didn't know if what needs to be taken needs to be taken from the Board of Education budget.

<u>Cathy Simonelli, 71 Depot Street:</u> Mrs. Simonelli reported she has spoken with people around town, some of whom said they voted no on the budget but marked the question that the budget was too low because they felt that would signify that the budget would/should go up. Mrs. Simonelli questioned that the question on the ballot may be confusing; maybe the Board should consider that for the next vote.

Chairman Corso noted no else had signed up to speak. She queried the audience for additional comments; no one requested to speak.

## VI. Adjournment:

MOTION:	To ADJOURN this Public Hearing at 7:08 p.m.
Tripp moved/l	Pippin seconded/VOTE: In Favor: Unanimous
Respectfully s Peg Hoffman,	ubmitted: Recording Secretary, East Windsor Board of Finance