

North Stonington, CT  
Board of Finance  
Minutes of Regular Meeting  
December 6, 2006  
North Stonington Town Hall

1. **Call to Order:** Chairman N. Gumprecht called the meeting to order at 8:03 PM; Vice Chairman L. Southwick, Secretary B. Woodward members B. Borden, E. Pavlovics and C. Marsh were present.
2. **Public Comments and Questions:** None
3. **Previous Minutes:** L. Southwick made a motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of November 15, 2006 as amended. The motion was seconded by C. Marsh and carried 5-0-1. B. Borden abstained.
4. **BOS:**  
**Review of Financial Statements: Profit and Loss Actual vs. Budget:** <sup>PRINTED DATE 12/1/06 TSW</sup> The Board reviewed the most recent draft Town financial statement (~~undated~~) that had been modified to include a column for BOF codes. Numerous formatting/editorial comments were made and N. Mullane, First Selectman, informed the Board that the program was still being fine tuned. An inconsistency of \$800,000 still existed in the Town's financial accountability. In response to E. Pavlovics' question about the cost incurred to date for the Route 2/Foxwood Casino interchange litigation, N. Mullane stated that between \$30,000 to \$38,000 had been spent by the Town, in the last two years, on a lawsuit challenging the State Traffic Commission approval of the interchange. The State Attorney General has asked the Town to stay the appeal. The primary issue the Town is voicing against the interchange is the accelerated speeds anticipated from the current arrangement. Because of the need for additional funding for line item BB 9, Annexation Related Expenses, N. Mullane stated he might ask for a Town meeting in January 2007 to approve additional funding.

**Additional Appropriations/Requests:**

- a. **Software upgrade for assessment and collection**
  - **Vision Appraisal Technology: \$5,000**
  - **Quality Data Service \$22,750**

In a letter dated December 6, 2006, N. Mullane requested the Board's concurrence in spending \$27,750 from the Capital Non Recurring Revaluation Account, CC 4, in order to take advantage of a cost savings for an upgrade in computer software and technical service. The upgrades and service could be used for current tasks and for the next Town revaluation. It was decided that no action would be taken on the request until the Town Assessor could address the Board on the subject. N. Gumprecht will request that the Assessor attend the next scheduled Board meeting.

**b. Laptop computer, software, PowerPoint and Projector system for use by both the BOF and Town \$2,698**

A motion was made by C. Marsh to request up to \$3,000 from the Board of Selectmen for a laptop computer, PowerPoint software and projector to be used by the BOF and Town. The motion was seconded by B. Borden and carried 5-1-0. E. Pavlovics disapproved.

**c. Welfare Expenses \$5,500**

A motion was made by C. Marsh to approve an additional appropriation of \$5,500 for Welfare expenses, line item BB23.01. The motion was seconded by L. Southwick and carried 6-0-0.

**d. Water Tank Evaluation Study \$3,000**

A motion was made by B. Woodward to approve an additional appropriation of \$3,000 for a Water Tank Study, line item CC3.24. The motion was seconded by L. Southwick and carried 5-0-1. B. Borden abstained.

**e. Survey of Town Boundary Line \$4,000**

A motion was made by B. Borden to approve an additional appropriation of \$4,000 for Surveying the Towns Boundary line, line item B24.01. The motion was seconded by L. Southwick and carried 6-0-0.

**5. BOE: Review of Financial Statements: Actual vs. Budget  
Comments to September 30, 2006 Statement  
Capitalization Policy: All items tabled.**

**6. Tax Collector Report:** L. Southwick reported that \$168,286 of the \$180,000 budgeted delinquent taxes had been received as of December 1, 2006 and that at this time last year uncollected taxes were greater than current year uncollected taxes.

**7. Town Report: Status:** To date, 2/3 of the submittals have been received. All submittals are needed by the end of the calendar year.

**8. Outstanding Action Items:** Action items were reviewed and updated.

**9. Correspondence:**

- Letter from N. Pukas, Superintendent of Schools to BOF dated November 30, 2006 regarding a presentation by D. Urban to the BOE on "regionalization."
- E-mail string between R. Roohr and L. Holleran regarding the decreasing of the BOE's budget for the fiscal year dated November 16, 2006.
- E-mail string between N. Gumprecht and Marcia Marien regarding capital item cost threshold dated December 5, 2006

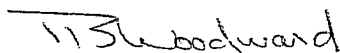
10. **Review of Upcoming Agenda Items:** Confirmation of January 10, 2007 tripartite meeting.

11. **Action Items:**

Description of Action	Action By	Estimated Completion Date	Actual Completion Date
Confirm BOE guaranteed increases	N. Gumprecht	12/06	
Investigate capital threshold values; single vice accumulative with Marien + Co.	N. Gumprecht	12/06	12/6/06
Evaluate insurance stipend payments	BOF	8/06	
Request format changes of BOS financial profit and loss statement	N. Mullane	9/6/06	Working
Add stipend/chain of communication discussion to Tripartite meeting Agenda	E. Pavlovics	12/06	
Establish capital asset policy	BOF	10/18/06	12/6/06
Update status of Town's financial statement	N. Mullane	12/20/06	
Provide payment history of Route 2 interchange litigation charges	N. Mullane	12/20/06	

12. **Adjournment:** A motion to adjourn was made by L. Southwick and seconded by C. Marsh. The motion carried 6-0-0 and the meeting was adjourned at 10:55 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,



Brent B. Woodward  
Secretary  
Board of Finance

Approved \_\_\_\_\_