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ROXBURY BOARD OF FINANCE REGULAR MEETING APRIL 23, 2018

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Members Present: Andy Engel, Wayne Piskura, Nanette Falkenberg, John Hopkins, and Ed Cady

Others Present: Barbara Henry

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Regular Meeting - March 26, 2018

Motion: A motion was made to approve the minutes of March 26, 2018 Regular Meeting; by Ed Cady, seconded by Nanette Falkenberg and carried unanimously.

BUSINESS

Discussion of 2018/2019 Town Budget

Barbara Henry reviewed the current draft of the 2018-19 Budget with the Board. The proposed 2018-19 Budget is currently \$3,490,752.00. It was noted there was a .05% decrease in the Towns budget from last year. The Capital Improvement Plan was reviewed with the Board. It was noted the Plan of Conservation and Development (POCD) was budgeted into the Capital Improvement Plan for \$7000.00. The Plan is due in 2020 and will be worked on during the next fiscal year. If the Town doesn't receive a grant from the Local Bridge Project, the Town may have to fund the Botsford Hill Road Culvert project itself. The proposed mill rate is 15.85.

Barbara Henry reported the Towns portion of the Region 12 Education Budget for 2018-19 is \$7,836,508.00, a 7.6% increase from last year. The Board had a lengthy discussion about the rising education costs, the declining enrollment, and how the Town is unable to sustain the increasing costs. It was noted that the Towns portion of the Board of Education budget is twice the cost of the Towns Operations budget. The Operations budget serves the entire population, and the Board of Education budget serves less than 8% of the population.

Motion: A motion was made for the Board of Finance to publicly oppose the Board of Education budget; by Nanette Falkenberg, seconded by Ed Cady. Motion withdrawn by Nanette Falkenberg. Motion to second withdrawn by Ed Cady.

Motion: A motion was made to request the Board of Education relook at Administrative and Transportation costs for possible reductions; by Wayne Piskura. Motion withdrawn by Wayne Piskura.

Motion: A motion was made to go into executive session at 8:45 P.M. to discuss salaries; by Andy Engel, seconded by Wayne Piskura and carried unanimously.

Motion: A motion was made to come out of executive session at 9:05 P.M.; by Wayne Piskura, seconded by John Hopkins and carried unanimously.

Motion: A motion was made to bring the Town of Roxbury's proposed budget of \$3,490,752.00 to a Public Hearing to be held on April 23, 2018 at 7:00 P.M.; by Nanette Falkenberg, seconded by Ed Cady and carried unanimously.

SELECTMAN'S REPORT

There was no report.

OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business to report.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion: A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 9:15 p.m. by Wayne Piskura, seconded by Nanette Falkenberg and carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Julie Cady
Julie Cady, Secretary

These minutes are not considered official until approved at the next Regular Meeting of the Roxbury Board of Finance