

January 5, 2011

The Board of Finance held a regular meeting on this date at the Police Department meeting room. Members present were Glenn Frishman, Chairman; Andrew Rines, Secretary; John O'Brien; Bryan Bentz; Dudley Wheeler and Sandy Grimes. Also present First Selectman Ed Haberek, Maryanna Stevens, Director of Finance; Joe Bragaw, Director of Public Works, town residents and Leslie Packer, Clerk.

Mr. Frishman called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Previous minutes

Mr. Grimes made a motion to accept the minutes of the November meeting.

Mr. Rines seconded the motion and voting was unanimous.

Bid Waivers

Town Hall vault – Mr. Bragaw explained the need to move ahead with this long awaited project. He provided members with a quote from Dupont Systems totaling \$30,875; he stated that there is money available in the Town Clerk Vault CIP line for funding. Dupont Systems is the leader in this type of storage system and have the State bid. Mr. Grimes made a motion to approve the bid waiver request for Dupont Systems to procure and install the vault shelving. Mr. Wheeler seconded the motion and voting was unanimous.

SHMC dock – Peter Vermilya, Chair was present to discuss with the members their request for a bid waiver to Gwenmor Marine of Mystic to install a dock in Stonington Harbor located near the Borough Water Purification Station north of the fishing docks and about 60 to 80 feet from the Police dock. In response to a question posed by Mr. Frishman, Mr. Vermilya stated that the DEP through a grant award (Clean Vessel Act) has committed funding and CUSH will raise the Town's portion, which is 75% of half of the total cost; because the Westerly based pump out boats will use half the dock. Mr. O'Brien made a motion to approve the bid waiver for Gwenmor Marine to construct a dock built to the SHMC specifications. Mr. Rines seconded the motion and voting was unanimous.

Additional Appropriation

Request for an additional appropriation for \$4310.00 for personnel to perform Sanitarian duties. The Town has received a grant in this amount to offset Lead Paint compliance. Mr. Rines made a motion to approve the additional appropriation to Additional Manpower, (10123-80349) for \$4310.00, which is a net impact to the Town. Mr. Bentz seconded the motion and voting was unanimous.

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Correspondence

Members received a letter from the Pawcatuck Neighborhood Center stating that they have assumed the responsibility and operation of the Meals on Wheels program previously performed by the Stonington Community Center as of July 2010. They requested that the Board of Finance 'redirect the \$40,000 allocated for the Meals on Wheels program' to them.

Jim Truscio of the Stonington Como was present and stated clearly that the Town has not allocated money to the Como for the Meals on Wheels program. The funding they receive is for all other services and programs. He added that the TVCCA moved the program to the PNC without the support for the move from the Como. Mr. Frishman stated that Mr. Grimes would investigate further.

Subcommittee reports

Mr. Wheeler reported that the Animal control facility project is under control.

Mr. Haberek stated that he is planning on setting up a Vehicle subcommittee to research the usage of all Town vehicles.

Mr. Rines reported that he has received the final CIP request and the committee will be meeting with the Board of Selectmen on the 13th of January.

New Business

Marsha Standish, Assessor provided for the members the 2009 Supplemental Motor vehicle totals which show an increase over 2008.


Conservation Commission – DEP property purchase. Mrs. Stevens informed the members that this is the Crowley property adjacent to Barnes Island. All members agreed it best to wait for the attorney's decision on this matter.

Budget Hearing Schedule

The Board of Finance set the schedule for Department hearings for the 2011-2012 budget.

There being no further business to come before the Board, Mr. Wheeler made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Bentz seconded the motion and the meeting was unanimously adjourned at 8:07 p.m.

Signed,


Andrew W. Rines
Secretary

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