**Board of Finance**

**Regular Meeting Minutes**

**Wednesday March 21, 2012**

**7pm Clifford B. Green Memorial Center**

**Present:** Rick Ives, Gene Michael Deary, David Fuss, Maura Bowen, Carla Demers, Kim Conroy and Melissa Bradley; Recording Secretary

**Also Present:** Austin Tanner, Bob Kelleher, Drew Dionne, Bucky Lohbusch, and Mike Gaudreau

1. **Call to Order:** Mr. Ives called the meeting to order at 7:06pm.
2. **Approve Previous Minutes:** Gene Michael Deary made a motion to approve the meeting minutes from February 15, 2012 as presented. Maura Bowen seconded the motion. Motion passed 6-0.
3. **Budget Presentation & Discussion-Parks & Recreation**: Bucky Lohbusch presents some new programs, cooking for kids and eating healthy, for the love of the game basketball camp and a haunted hayride. The Recreation Commission budget was presented with a 4.95% increase and the Park Maintenance budget with a 7.17% increase. Gene Michael Deary made a motion to accept the Recreation Commission and Park Maintenance budget as presented including the haunted trails presentation. Carla Demers seconded the motion. Mr. Ives clarifies with the understanding that changes can be made after seeing the overall budget. Motion passed 5-1 abstained (Conroy).
4. **2012 Budget Discussion**: Mr. Ives will look at the Board of Finance budget and forward to Mr. Tanner. The Board of Fire Commissioners and Board of Education will present on April 4th at a special meeting and the Capital and Selectman’s budget at the regular meeting on April 18th.
5. **Correspondence**-**Superintendent of Schools:** Mr. Ives reports the school has a shortfall of $144,074 due to special education and Killingly high school increase. Mr. Ives believes it is more around $80,000 since the correspondence from Dr. Berry. She will have an update at the next meeting.
6. **Selectman’s Budget**: Mr. Tanner reports Mr. Rukstela requested capital appropriate funds for and alarm system and painting of the new highway garage. There will be an additional $17,000 from insurance coming in and Mr. Tanner suggests using those funds to paint and install an alarm system. Gene Michael Deary authorizes the First Selectman to use the $17,000 in additional proceeds to pay approximately $12,000 for a security system and $6,000 for painting of the new garage. David Fuss seconded the motion. Motion passed 6-0.
7. **2011 Budget Discussion**: The snow removal budget was discussed. Sherri will get exact dates and numbers.
8. **Liaison Reports**:

* David Fuss reports a clerk of the works has been hired for the school wall project and Mr. Tanner and Dr. Berry will be going to Hartford next week for the final decision from the state.
* Gene Michael Deary reported the presentation at the Finance Director Meeting went well. The next meeting will be held on April 11th.

1. **Other Business**: None
2. **Public Comment**: None
3. **Adjourn**: David Fuss made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:15pm. Kim Conroy seconded the motion. Motion passed 6-0.

Respectfully Submitted;

Melissa J. Bradley

Recording Secretary