**Board of Finance**

**Special Meeting Minutes**

**Wednesday May 8, 2013**

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

**Present:** Rick Ives, Jeff Otto, David Fuss, Kim Conroy, Carla Demers and Melissa Bradley; Recording Secretary

Arrived at 8:05; Gene Michael Deary

**Also Present:** Austin Tanner and Bob Kelleher

1. **Call to Order:** Mr. Ives called the meeting to order at 7:05pm.
2. **RFP – Auditor Discussion/Selection:** Three bids were received. The larger firms are not interested in a small Town like Brooklyn. Mr. Filchak was contacted regarding regionalization. Mr. Ives would like an explanation why the school and town are not paying together. This item was tabled until the next meeting.
3. **2013-14 Budget Discussion:** The budget hearing has been set for May 23rd at 7:30pm. All the revenues are still not settled. Mr. Ives request an up to date spread sheet for the next meeting. At this time, all of capital is being expensed.

Mr. Ottoquestions why a different local paper could not be used for publication of public hearings. He feels a zoning fee, mostly made up of publication fees, of $1,060 is outrageous for someone to pay who just wants to keep up their property.

Mr. Ives states the Board of Education meet for approximately an hour and forty-five minutes discussing the finance director. A vote was taken and it was tied. There is now debate whether it passed or failed in such a case. Mr. Otto suggests not approving their budget and taking it to the public hearing and explaining it to the residents, and letting them decide.

The board decides nine month salary for a finance director would be sufficient since it would be a few month process to hire one.

1. **Set Public Hearing Date:** The public hearing has been set for May 23rd at 7:30 in the auditorium. This was the first available date at the school. Jeff Otto made a motion to set the annual town budget meeting date June 5th, 6th or 10 of June, after verification of the meeting space and the number of days required between the public hearing. Carla Demers seconded the motion. Motion passed 6-0.
2. **Public Comment:** None.
3. **Adjourn:** Gene Michael Deary made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:10pm. Kim Conroy seconded the motion. Motion passed 6-0.

Respectfully Submitted;

Melissa J. Bradley

Recording Secretary