

The Board of Finance held a regular meeting on **October 16, 2013 at 7:00 p.m.** in the **Meeting Room of Windham Town Hall, 979 Main Street, Willimantic, CT 06226**

Members Attending: Lynne Ide, Anita Sebestyen, Charles Pennewill, Paula Haney, Anna Crawford, and Nectalis Martinez.

1. Call to Order

Chairman Lynne Ide called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

2. Public Comment

Kevin Hoxie commented on the parking ban in Willimantic and there should be one side of the street parking. He also commented on keeping an eye on the Natchaug Roof.

Bernie Dauteuil commented on PILOT funds in the Willimantic Service District. He also commented on the Eastern Connecticut State University Police helping the Willimantic Police with college parties.

3. Board of Finance Comment

Charles Pennewill commented on the Sweeney School playground. It is almost complete and ready for the kids to use.

Anita Sebestyen commented on roaming students in the hill section. The parking ban was not thought though and the ticketing position was cut out of the budget.

4. Approval of meeting minutes

Upon a motion by Anita Sebestyen, seconded by Charles Pennewill to approve the meeting minutes from September 18, 2013.

The motion passed with Anna Crawford abstaining.

5. Welcome the new Finance Director

The new Finance Director will be at the November meeting.

6. Chair's Report

Lynne Ide commented the weekly meetings for the audit will begin this Friday.

She has not received a response regarding the letter that was sent to the State about the additional transportation funds. Everything is on hold until a clarification is received from the State.

The Capital Improvement Committee had an extensive meeting and heard from every town department. The committee has asked for more information or detail from some of the departments. The next meeting is October 22, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. There is also a meeting on October 28, 2013 with a financial advisor from Webster Bank.

Lockton was not able to be here tonight and hopefully will be here in November.

7. Presentation and Special Reports

There were no presentations or special reports.

8. Controller's Report

The controller's report was presented by Tom Pesce.

For an update on the audit, we are continuing to close the year and plan to be ready for November 1st. The auditors are scheduled to come back the beginning of November.

For an update on the new MUNIS finance software system, we have received a draft of the combined Chart of Accounts.

Charles Pennewill questioned if we have a projected date for going out for bonds and what are the current rates.

Tom Pesce commented there is no projected date but it will be discussed at the Capital Improvement Committee meeting on October 28th.

The current year revenue and expenditures for the Town and Willimantic Service District were reviewed. There were a few transfers that are within the departments so no action is required at this time.

9. Discussion and possible action any General Government 2013-2014 transfer requests.

There were no transfer requests

10. Discussion and possible action on any Willimantic Service District 2013-2014 transfer requests.

There were no transfer requests.

11. Old business

There was no old business

12. New business

Lynne Ide commented the teachers union is in negotiations.

13. Future agenda items

New Finance Director
Lockton Presentation on Health Insurance
Fire Marshal transfer request

14. Public Comment

Bernie Dauteuil commented he hopes to be a member of the Board of Finance at next month's meeting. He thanked the members, who are not returning, for their services.

Kevin Hoxie commented on four technical schools coming to the middle school and the number of kids that will not attend Windham High School. What will the mill rate be over the next ten years.

15. Adjournment

Upon a motion by Charles Pennewill, seconded by Anita Sebestyen the meeting was adjourned at 7:46 p.m.

Attest: _____
Thomas Pesce