

The Board of Finance held a regular meeting on **August 20, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.** in the **Bellingham Auditorium at Town Hall, 979 Main Street, Willimantic, CT 06226**

Members Attending: Lynne Ide, Anita Sebestyen, Paula Haney, and Thomas White

1. Call to Order

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

2. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

3. Board of Finance Comment

There was no Board of Finance comment

4. Approval of Meeting Minutes

Upon a motion by Thomas White, seconded by Anita Sebestyen to approve the minutes from July 12, 2014.

The motion passed unanimously.

Upon a motion by Anita Sebestyen, seconded by Paula Haney to approve the minutes from July 16, 2014.

The motion passed with Thomas White abstaining.

5. Chair's Report

Lynne Ide commented that she and the chair of the Board of Education are holding a public forum on Thursday August 28, 2014 from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. There will be a presentation by the new superintendent, Dr. Garcia, and Christian Johnson on the Board of Education budget. There will be round table discussions. There will be a special Board of Finance meeting the first week in September. There will be a Town Meeting on September 16th and a referendum on September 23rd.

6. Presentation and Special Reports

There were no presentations or special reports.

7. Discussion and possible action on the meeting schedule for the next referendum

Upon a motion by Thomas White, seconded by Paula Haney, to hold a special meeting on September 3, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.

The motion passed unanimously.

8. Discussion and possible action on time, date, and place of the Budget Meeting

Upon a motion by Thomas White, seconded by Anita Sebestyen, to hold a Town Meeting on September 16, 2014 at 6:30 or immediately following the Town Meeting on the Senior Center.

The motion passed unanimously.

9. Discussion and possible action on the time, date, and place of the Referendum Vote

Upon a motion by Thomas White, seconded by Anta Sebestyen to hold a referendum vote for the Board of Education budget on September 23, 2014 from 6:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the VFW, Willimantic Elks, and Windham Center Fire House.

The motion passed unanimously.

10. Controller's Report

Tom Pesce presented the Controller's report. Monthly reports were presented from the new financial software system, Munis. If the board would like any changes made to present them differently, please let him know. The revenues and expenditures were reviewed. The only significant expenditure is for repairs to an ambulance.

The status on the audit is there was an initial meeting held last month and there will be another meeting held in September. There is an engagement letter for the Board Chair to sign. We are now on a consolidated chart of account with the Board of Education and will be able to eliminate some bank accounts and funds.

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

There were no transfer requests.

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

There were no transfer requests.

13. Old business

When will the next tax bills be going out?

The Charter revisions are to include water and sewer budgets?

14. New business

There was no new business.

15. Future agenda items

Clarification on the Ambulance Fund and Health Insurance Fund

16. Public Comment

Marylou DeVivo commented on the meetings being televised. The meeting at the Barrows school will be televised and high school can be televised.

Henry Crane commented on an analysis someone did on the last referendum vote to see what age group of people voted. It will not be easy to get the budget to pass.

17. Adjournment

Upon a motion by Thomas White, seconded by Anita Sebestyen the meeting was adjourned at 7:58 p.m.

Attest: _____
Thomas Pesce