

WINDHAM FIRST TAXING DISTRICT  
Monday April 2, 2012  
Monthly Meeting Minutes

**Call to Order:**

President Diane Rayhall called the monthly meeting of the Windham First Taxing District to order at 1900 hours.

The following members were present: Diane Rayhall, Jan Mott, Elaine Rogers, Donald Potter, Peter Bruscato, Mark Herrick and AnnMarie White. 37 people attended.

**Approval of Minutes:**

Peter Bruscato moved to accept minutes dated March 5, 2012; Elaine Rogers seconded the motion, rest in favor.

**Treasurer's Report:**

Jan Mott gave the treasurer's report and read the following information:

Account Balances:

Checking Account Balance:	\$ 57,771.44
Savings Account Balance:	\$138,000.05
Grant Match Reserve:	\$ 48,912.00
Grant Improvement Reserve:	<u>\$ 95,413.40</u>
Total:	\$340,096.89

Bills to Pay:  
None

Elaine Rogers moved to accept treasurer's report, seconded by Mark Herrick, all in favor.

**Public Comment:**

Dawn Niles stated the Heartsafe Committee held their marathon week of free CPR courses. Roughly 100 people completed the course. Charter Revision did not hold a meeting last month. Next meeting is this Thursday April 5<sup>th</sup>. They may look at the definition of minority representation.

**Discussion of Proposed Budget**

Diane Rayhall asked if there were any discussion of the proposed budget, there was none.

**Vote on Guilford Smith Memorial Library Budget \$35,000**

Dawn Niles comments on the \$5,000 in budget from the town. She thought it would be easier to not ask the town for money and get it all from one source. Motion made on the floor by Dawn Niles to vote on Guilford Smith Memorial Library budget for \$35,000, seconded by John Wylie. Diane Rayhall explained how to vote by signifying by raising hands. Vote was: 30 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstained; motion passes.

**Vote on Windham Free Library Budget \$35,000**

Dawn Niles made motion to pass the \$35,000 budget, seconded by John Postemski. Vote was: 31 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions; motion passes.

**Vote on Windham Youth Organization Budget \$14,000**

John Wylie made motion to accept the \$14,000 budget, seconded by Joshua Niles. Vote was: 32 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions, motion passed.

**Vote on Windham Center Fire Department Budget \$147,711**

John Wylie made motion to accept the \$147,711 budget, seconded by Helene Chapman. Vote was: 32 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions, motion passed.

**Vote on South Windham Fire Department Budget \$134,982**

John Wylie made motion to accept the \$134,982 budget, seconded by Dawn Niles. No discussion brought forth. Vote was: 33 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions, motion passed.

**Vote on North Windham Fire Department Budget \$143,766**

Helene Chapman made motion to accept the \$143,766 budget, seconded by Michael Licata. Vote was: 32 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions, motion passed.

**Vote on General Budget**

Dawn Niles made motion to accept the general budget of \$789,554, seconded by George Gillette. No discussion brought forth. Vote was: 32 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions, motion passed.

**Vote on Mill Rate .00155**

George Gillette made motion to accept the mill rate of .00155, seconded by John Wylie. Vote was: 33 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstention, and motion passed.

**Recommendation of Nominating Committee**

Victor Rayhall stated that the nominating committee consisting of Victor Rayhall and Anita Sebestyen. They submitted seven names to the President and they didn't receive any phone calls of anyone interested. Lloyd Niles nominated George Gillette and he accepted. Diane Rayhall read the names. John Wylie made a motion to accept the nominations; Helene Chapman seconded it, all in favor.

**Election of Officers and Directors**

Diane Rayhall made a motion and read slate of officers and directors, John Wylie seconded, all in favor. Diane Rayhall thanked Mark Herrick and Donald Potter for their many years of service.

**Swearing in of Officers and Directors**

The Board of Directors was sworn in by Attorney Nicholas Keeple.

**Appointment of Attorney Nicholas Keeple**

Helene Chapman made motion to accept the appointment, seconded by John Wylie, all in favor.

**Authorization of Bank Signatures**

It was stated that Jan Mott, Ted Colwell and Diane Rayhall were authorized for bank signatures. Dawn Niles made a motion to authorize the three Directors named for bank signatures, Helene Chapman seconded, all in favor.

**Authorization of Auditor from Shane, Navratil, & Co**

John Wylie made a motion to authorize auditor Shane, Navratil, & Co., Dawn Niles seconded, all in favor.

**Old Business**

Victor Rayhall is working with the town and the State Police to resolve the parking tickets issue. He asked Jan Mott if the Windham First Taxing District was reimbursed for the money they put up for the grant, and Jan said he did receive that check. There is a dispute between the Board of Finance and the Town Council on how much money from the tickets goes to the town. Victor stated the town mistakenly gave the Windham Service District \$10,000.

**New Business**

Allocation of funds for service award and tax abatement list – 2 are in the town, the third list is going to town tomorrow. Service awards are completed.

**Public Comment**

Dave Light comments on the \$5,000 in their budget that they requested from town. If it doesn't come through this year, he felt confident they could make it through without it. Dawn Niles thought it would be easier to ask for funding just from Windham First Taxing District instead of both the town and the District. It would be cleaner. Lloyd Niles thanked the Board for their support on their budget and for understanding their needs.

**Adjournment**

Motion made by Elaine Rogers to adjourn at 1930 hrs, seconded by Peter Bruscato, all in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

AnnMarie White  
Secretary