

**BOARD OF FINANCE
TOWN OF EAST WINDSOR
11 RYE STREET
BROAD BROOK, CONNECTICUT 06016**

**MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING
Wednesday, April 23, 2014**

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Members Present: Joseph Pellegrini (Chairman), Jerilyn Corso, Cindy Herms, Robert Little, Robert Maynard, and Sharon Tripp.
Members Absent: All members were present.
Alternate Present: Gilbert Hayes.
Alternate Absent: Paulette Broder.
Others: **Town Treasurer:** Kim Lord; **First Selectman:** Denise Menard; **Selectmen:** Jason Bowsza, Deputy First Selectman, and Dale Nelson.

Press: Gail Montany, Journal Inquirer.

I. Call to Order:

Chairman Pellegrini called the Meeting to Order at 7:33 p.m.

II. Time and Place of Meeting:

Town Hall Meeting Room, 11 Rye Street, Broad Brook, CT.

III. Appointment of Alternates:

Chairman Pellegrini noted all regular members are present this evening; it will not be necessary to appoint an Alternate member for this meeting.

IV. Public Participation:

Dale Nelson, 51 Omelia Road, Broad Brook: noted that the Contingency Fund will be changing from \$87,000 to \$50,000. She suggested the Town is in a bit of a situation in that the \$87,000 is close to carry the Town to the end of the budget year. She would caution the Board of Finance not to cut the fund too much.

V. Discussion of Budget Presentation for 1st Referendum:

Treasurer Lord reported that nothing has changed regarding the final numbers voted on by the Board of Finance at the last Budget Workshop. The proposed FY 2014 – 2015 Budget will result in a 0.96 change in the mill rate.

Chairman Pellegrini concurred, noting that the Minutes of the last Budget Workshop reflect a proposed budget of \$36,484,292 which results in a change in the mill rate of 0.96 for a mill rate of 30.74. The budget is going from a FY 2014 budget of \$34,840,618 to a proposed budget of \$36,484,292, which is a 4.27% increase.

Discussion continued regarding the amount which must be raised in property taxes - \$28,686,593, and the effect on the grand list reflected by the reduction due to tax appeals.

MOTION: To send a proposed \$36,484,292 FY 2014 – 2015 Budget to referendum; the budget reflects an increase of \$1,643,674 which will be a 0.96 change in the mill rate.

DISCUSSION: None.

Tripp moved/Corso seconded/

VOTE: **In Favor:** **Corso/Herms/Maynard/Pellegrini/Tripp**
 Opposed: **Little**
 Abstentions: **No one**

Chairman Pellegrini confirmed that a budget of \$36,484,292 will go to referendum on May 13th.

VI. Adjournment:

MOTION: To **ADJOURN** this Meeting at 7:43 p.m.

Little moved/Corso seconded/VOTE: In Favor: Unanimous

Respectfully submitted: _____
Peg Hoffman, Recording Secretary, East Windsor Board of Finance