

**BOLTON BOARD OF FINANCE
REGULAR MEETING
November 17, 2016**

Minutes & Motions

Attendance: Members Morris Silverstein, Matthew Maulucci, Robert Flowers, Chairman Robert Munroe, Robert Gallé, and Robert DePietro were present. Also present was Administrative Officer Joyce Stille. Member Emily Bradley and Finance Director Jill Collins were not present.

1. **Call to Order:** Chairman Munroe called the meeting to order at 7:19 p.m.
2. **Public Participation:** No members of the public present.
3. **Approval of Minutes:**
 - a. **August 16, 2016 Special Meeting:** No action taken.
 - b. **September 15, 2016 Meeting:** R. Gallé moved to approve. R. Flowers seconded. Vote 4:0:2, M. Maulucci and R. Munroe abstaining due to absence at that meeting.
 - c. **October 20, 2016 Meeting:** M. Silverstein moved to approve. R. Munroe seconded. Vote 3:0:0, M. Maulucci, R. Flowers, and R. Gallé abstaining due to absence at that meeting.
4. **Correspondence:** R. Munroe received the CCM magazine.
5. **Elected Official / Town Staff Reports:**
 - a. **Board of Education Update:** The BOE is projecting an unexpected overage in Special Education. They have not requested additional funding.
 - b. **Tax Collection Summary:** Collections are at 99.32% of the budgeted amount.
 - c. **Town Update:** The town is 30.45% expensed as of the end of October, compared to 29.69% at this point last year.
6. **Old Business:**
 - a. **Shared Services:** The BOE is waiting to see what the state reimbursement for asbestos treatment is likely to be. The cost for new burners at BCS for gas conversion is higher than estimated but the cost savings after conversion will lessen the net expense. The line is expected to be ready for conversion by spring or summer 2017. CCM had its conference this week. Some of the discussion was state leaders and looking ahead at aid to towns. Aid to towns is roughly 20% of the state budget and has not yet been seriously looked at for reductions, while the rest of the budget has.
 - b. **Three Board Meeting:** The BOE reported that in July, part of the CHOICE fund reimbursement was reduced by the state. The funds had been used to cover a staff person, but there are enough savings in health insurance to cover them this year.
7. **New Business:**

- a. **Consider and Act on 2017 Meeting Dates:** R. Gallé moved to accept the proposed schedule, with the amendment of moving the December 21st meeting to December 14th, as follows:

January 19	June 15
February 16	September 21
March 16	October 19
April 20	November 16
May 18	December 14

All meetings to start at 7:15 p.m. at the Town Hall.

R. DePietro seconded. Vote 6:0:0.

- b. **Consider and Act on Budgets (Auditor and Board of Finance):** R. Gallé moved to approve the Board of Finance 2017-2018 budget request for a total of \$2,200. R. DePietro seconded. Vote 6:0:0.
- R. Gallé moved to approve the Auditing Services 2017-2018 budget request for a total of \$23,000. R. DePietro seconded. Vote 6:0:0.

8. Ongoing Business:

- a. **Status Report on Bolton High School Project:** BHS paperwork has been submitted for the BOE section. The actual high school portion will be submitted after J. Collins returns to work from vacation (the following day).
- R. Munroe noted that the number of Columbia students has grown from the projected 44 to 49, and the number of CHOICE students from 40 to 41.

M. Silverstein moved to recognize the achievement of BHS being named a recipient of the National Blue Ribbon Award. R. Munroe seconded. Vote 6:0:0.

9. **Adjournment:** R. Gallé moved to adjourn. R. DePietro seconded. Meeting adjourned at 8:53 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sarah Benitez, Recording Secretary

Please see minutes of subsequent meetings for approval of these minutes and any corrections hereto.