# East Haven Board of Finance Regular Special Meeting Minutes March 22, 2018

The East Haven Board of Finance held a Regular Special Meeting on Wednesday March 22, 2018 at 7:00 P.M. in the Mario Giaimo, Joseph Vitale Meeting Room on the lower level of East Haven Town Hall, 250 Main Street, East Haven, CT 06512

Richard DePalma calls to order the meeting at 7 p.m.

#### 1. Roll Call

Richard DePalma, Beth Purcell, Marc Conte Jr., Richard Esposito, and Noreen Clough were present. Ralph Vitale was absent. Director of Finance Paul Rizza and Town Attorney Joseph Zullo Jr., John Longley – Parks and Rec Superintendent, and Kevin White Town Engineer were in attendance.

## 2. Read and Approve Minutes from Regular Meeting held on February 21, 2018

Noree Clough makes a motion to approve minutes. Beth Purcell seconds the motion. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

#### 3. Old Business

Paul Rizza hand out purchase order of Police Vehicles inclusive of the Mayors vehicle. He addresses the concern of the Police vehicles and the Mayors vehicle. He addresses the board to refer to page two that shows the price of \$24,237 – those are the Police vehicles. The other vehicle is for \$24,168 is the Mayors vehicle which does not have all the patrol amenities. The next page was from the successful bidder noting it was bid and estimating a delivery of 8-10 weeks which was in the middle of October. The next page was the invoice for \$24,168 vehicle and was paid and was probably received today. Richard DePalma asks that in past we use to go to an auction to purchase vehicles and what was the average price. Paul states yes and we have not done that in a long time. We had one that was very good and that was about \$5,000, 5 years old and 40k miles on it. Marc Conte asks how we are going to replace this one that came out a police budget. Paul states no it came out of a capital budget. Marc asks how do we replace that. Richard states normally under this capital plan. Marc states that the mayor is on record stating that there were 6 vehicles and the chief said there were 6 vehicles, I don't understand the math. Richard states no we only bonded for 5. Marc states then someone should tell him that. Paul states would you like me to relay that message? Marc Conte states that we can put it in the minutes so he knows. Marc asks again so are they going to get another car? Paul states no I don't think so that I am aware of. The cars are in Connecticut and they are working on lights and radios. Noreen asks does the outfitting take more money. Paul states all 4 Police vehicles are in the process of getting outfitted and the Mayors car is not and the outfitting is done outside the dealership. Marc Conte states can we get the invoice on the outfitting as well there seems to be a lot of questions surrounding these vehicles. Noreen states she is just curious as to the costs related to the outfitting. Richard DePalma states that if there are 5 different VIN numbers there should be 5 different invoices if we could see those as well. Beth Purcell states that we have bought the mayor a new car in as far as she could remember so the fact that he got a new car he needs to represent the town and should be driving around in a decent car as he been driving around in a piece of crap for years. Marc says he does have a problem with that he is just concerned that we took one from the police department and wants to make sure they get the cars they need.

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#### 4. New Business

Marc Conte asks Paul Rizza about the proposed mill increase and what that would be per household. Paul Rizza states I do not know. Richard states the medium house hold is \$140,000 x .3245 equals \$44543 or \$126 year or about \$10 a month per house hold. The assessment is 70% of the value of the house.

#### 5. Public Comment

None

### 6. <u>2017 Capital Fund</u>

From: 98-1-02 Farm River \$4,000.00

To: 98-1-01 Gas Funds \$4,000.00

Funds needed for bid repair to Public Services Gas Pumps.

Paul Rizza state that we did go out to bid on this and it was a little more than expected. Kevin White had a discussion with the low bidder and dropped us from \$36,000 to \$30,000. Noreen asks how old these pumps are. Kevin states they are about 30 years old. Paul states that \$26,000 was already funded so only \$4,000 is needed. Roll Call Vote. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

#### 7. <u>2016/2017 Capital Account Discussion for Public Service</u>

Noreen Clough makes a motion to discuss. Beth Purcell seconds. Discussion. Kevin White states that another capital budget that was put into budget ion 2016/2017. John Longley asked for a sand machine and it was labeled a Toro Sand Pro which was approved by this board for a total of \$25,000. As time went on they discovered another machine called ABI Force which is twice the machine the Toro Sand Pro is and a little bit cheaper. We are asking a change be made to purchase this machine instead. John states that this machine is a little bit cheaper and has many more attachments then the previous machine requested. Roll Call Vote. All in Favor. Motion Carried. Noreen Clough motions to rescind. Marc Conte seconds. Noreen Clough makes a motion to forward to the Town Council. Richard Esposito seconds. Roll Call Vote. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

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### 8. 2018/2019 Budget Recommendations to the Mayor

Noreen Clough makes a motion for discussion. Richard Esposito seconds.

Paul Rizza states all the changes discussed on Monday were incorporated into appropriations. Noreen Clough states that the fund balance contributions are \$100,000 not \$600,000. Paul Rizza states that it is in error and it will be changed.

Roll Call Vote:

Richard DePalma – YES Beth Purcell – YES Richard Esposito – YES Noreen Clough – YES

Marc Conte – YES All in Favor, Motion Carried.

### 9. Adjournment

Noreen Clough makes a motion to adjourn at 7:37 p.m., Beth Purcell seconds. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Temple Smith, Clerk