

**Town of East Haven  
Board of Finance –Regular Meeting Minutes  
February 18, 2015**

The East Haven Board of Finance held a Special meeting on Wednesday February 18, 2015, 2015 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 the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**1. Roll Call**

Ms. Beth Purcell, Ms. Noreen Clough, Mr. Richard DePalma and Ms. Maria Tonelli. Also in attendance was Town Attorney - Mr. Joseph Zullo, and Finance Director - Mr. Paul Rizza, and Tax Collector Lisa Basilicato – Absent Vice Chairman, Mr. Ralph Vitale, and Mr. Salvatore Maltese

Noreen Clough makes a motion to nominate Richard DePalma as temporary chair for this meeting in the absence of Ralph Vitale. Beth Purcell seconds. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

**2. Read and Approve Minutes from Special Meeting held January 27, 2015**

Noreen Clough made a motion to approve. Beth Purcell seconds. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

**3. Old Business**

Noreen Clough asked if the auditors are still coming. Paul Rizza states that they are still auditing but they will be coming to speak to the Board of Finance.

**4. New Business**

Noreen Clough states that the reports that they received there were at least 3 other departments that were in the negative. Paul states that he is trying to talk to dept. heads to come up with a number and will be clarified by March. Beth states that regarding the Board of Education their bottom line was 1.4 million encumbered they are projecting. Paul states that is personnel, benefits and special education are the three areas and what they are currently doing and they have been frozen for quite a while and that they are going through the payrolls such as aids, paras etc. The theory is there are a number of people that should be charged to grants. This should clear up a fairly large part. We are trying to get a better handle on Special Ed. Last year that was over spent by \$400,000. Beth also states that she notices a Business Manager position posted. Paul states yes that is Patti's job – it will be re-filled and I do not know the time line.

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Richard asks the positions that may be covered in grants are there grant funds available or do they need to re-write it? Paul states these jobs are already written into those grants. I know we do not hire certified staff with grant money unless it is alliance money.

**5. Public Comment**

None

**6. Tax**

<b>To:</b>	<b>01-106-0668</b>	<b>Attorney's Fees</b>	<b>\$3,900.00</b>	
<b>From:</b>	<b>01-885-0689</b>	<b>Contingency</b>		<b>\$3,900.00</b>

Funds needed for Attorney's Fees regarding foreclosure Expenses.

Noreen Clough makes a motion, Beth Purcell seconds, Discussion. Lisa states another foreclosure 45 Vista Drive; they did not approve the sale. Atty. Zullo states he was supposed to appear in court on Tuesday, on the committee's motion to approve the sale – that got postponed. We are expecting that it will be approved. The town stands to net \$ 73,000 in delinquent tax revenue on that sale. We don't own it but will get the tax proceeds. Roll Call Vote. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

**7. Adjournment**

Noreen Clough makes a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:18 p.m. Maria Tonelli seconds. All in Favor. Motion Carries.

Temple Smith  
Board of Finance Clerk