

BOARD OF FINANCE
PUBLIC HEARING
APRIL 13, 2016
MINUTES

Present: J. Scherban, O. Nejdil, L. Saunders, D. Traynor, J. Olsen, J. Scully Welch, L. Santos and K. Carr

Scherban called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm in the Auditorium of the Town Hall. Scherban explained the budget process and reviewed the proposed budget cuts from the state. The Appropriations Committee passed a bill to cut state funding for local schools. The proposed cut for Clinton is 1.5 million. The governor proposed a reduction of \$610,872.

The public hearing was opened to comments on both the Town and Education budget with the following remarks noted:

Dolly Mezzetti, 7 Twin Oaks Lane, asked for the board to put an additional \$30,000 in Elderly Tax Relief.

Bruce Farmer, First Selectmen, asked the board to restore the funding for the pumpout boat.

Selectman Walter requested the board hold off on finalizing the budget until after the state approves their budget.

Board of Education chairman Annaliese Spaziano reviewed the education budget process.

Vincent Cimino, 26 Old Mill Road, recommended a 1 percent decrease in every line item.

Several members of the committee asked for the budget to remain as is with not additional budget cuts.

Scully Welch made a motion, seconded by Olsen and unanimously adjourned the public hearing at 8:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Schettino

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