

East Haven Board of Finance  
Special Meeting Minutes  
February 27, 2019

Stacy Gravano, CTC  
TOWN CLERK

The East Haven Board of Finance held a Special Meeting on Wednesday February 27, 2019 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.

1. Roll Call

Chairman Richard DePalma, Noreen Clough, Beth Purcell, and Richard Esposito Jr. were present. Ralph Vitale and Marc Conte were absent. Director of Finance - Paul Rizza, was also present.

2. Read and Approve Minutes from Regular Meeting held on January 16, 2019

Noreen Clough makes a motion to approve Minutes from Regular Meeting on January 16, 2019. Beth Purcell seconds. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

3. Old Business

Noreen Clough stated that she asked a while ago for a list of all the town vehicles. Paul Rizza said he does not have the list either. They did have one list but there were not any new vehicles on it. There was discussion about the two police vehicles that crashed into each other a while back. They made one car out of those two police vehicles. Noreen questioned how many vehicles is the police department down. It is unclear how many vehicles they are down. Beth Purcell asked if we can ask the police chief in advance for a list rather than him having to come to the meeting. Paul said he can ask. Paul stated that he is going to get the list and it should hopefully include all of the vehicles, fire department as well as police.

4. New Business

Rich DePalma had a question about \$55,000 that we bonded to fix the vactor truck. Paul believes it was partially fixed. The Board wants to know how much of that \$55,000.00 was used to fix the truck. It was stated that the Town hired an outside service to clean some of the drains. Paul's response was that there was more than one issue with the vactor truck. They fixed one thing and then after a couple of days something else broke so they went and fixed that and they were not too successful. Some of the bonded money was spent and there is some still left however the Town went out to bid for a rental of a vactor truck, a driver and a technician. The driver and technician work for the vendor so Paul stated that if something breaks it is not the Town's responsibility and if someone does get hurt it is not the Town's responsibility. Rich stated that if the money the Town had aside for this vactor truck is still there it cannot be used for anything else unless they come back to the board. Paul was in agreement with that statement. Paul said what the plan is, and it is still up in the air, but the plan is to go out and advertise that we want to sell the vactor truck with a minimum bid of \$15,000. The dollar amount has jumped around so many times that they've done nothing with that bid. Paul is going to go back to the council. He doesn't know how much the vactor truck is worth. Rich asked if the vendor was charging by the hour or the day. Paul said he believes by the day.

5. Set dates for 2019 Budget Meetings

Noreen Clough made motion to accept the 2019 Budget Meeting Workshop Schedule. Rich DePalma seconded. All in favor. Roll call. Motion carried.

5. **Public Comment**

It was stated by the Board that there is never Public Comment at a Special Meeting.

6. **Adjournment**

Noreen Clough makes a motion to adjourn at 7:22 P.M. Richard DePalma seconds. All in favor, Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,



Susan Mauro  
Board of Finance Clerk