

**East Haven Board of Finance
Regular Meeting Minutes
July 15, 2015**

The East Haven Board of Finance held its' Regular Meeting on Wednesday July 15, 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

Vice Chairman, Mr. Ralph Vitale called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

1. Roll Call

Vice Chairman, Mr. Ralph Vitale, Ms. Beth Purcell, Ms. Noreen Clough, Mr. Richard DePalma and Ms. Maria Tonelli. – Absent - Mr. Salvatore Maltese

Also in attendance was Town Attorney, Mr. Joseph Zullo, Finance Director, Mr. Paul Rizza, Superintendent of Public Works, Mr. Robert Parente, and Library Director, Mr. Bruce George

2. Read and Approve Minutes from Regular Meeting held May 20, 2015 and Special Meetings held June 15, 2015 and July 1, 2015.

Noreen Clough made a motion to accept the minutes. Beth Purcell seconded. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

3. Old Business

None

4. New Business

None

5. Public Comment

Library Director, Mr. Bruce George wanted to address the questions from the last meeting regarding the employee health insurance as I was not in attendance or the July 1st meeting. For health insurance the library's total cost for 14/15 was \$131,307 total employee contributions for health insurance was \$10,467 for 7 employees. Making the total cost for health insurance \$120,902. The library was allocated \$117,389 by the town so there was a \$3,500 deficit and that is where the deficit arose. This year's costs are in line with the towns' allocation. I think it may be best for the library to make a presentation to the BOF in the future on how the library is handling the health insurance. It would help if you would provide your expectations and or questions you would like answered in advance to me. It

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would help structure the presentation to meet expectations. There were a combination of factors that caused a shortage there was a misalignment of actual working hours, regular salaries, there was a pay raise to retain an employee, staff vacations and staff meetings. A good degree of this has been resolved in this year's budget in covering staff expenses. Staff expenses due to leave is being reviewed now. I look forward to tentative dates Mr. Rizza so we can speak about health insurance if there are questions or expectations.

6. Public Service

To:	01-224-0120	Snow & Ice Wages	\$61,000.00
	01-224-0190	Overtime Wages	\$12,000.00
	01-224-0133	Classification Diff.	\$ 6,000.00
	01-224-0662	Vehicle Repairs & Maint.	\$ 100.00
From:	01-224-0110	Regular Salaries	\$79,100.00

To close out fiscal year 14/15 – Refer to Town Council

Noreen Clough makes a motion to refer to the town council. Beth Purcell seconds. Noreen Clough makes a motion to discuss. Beth Purcell seconds. Richard DePalma asks what positions were not filled. Paul Rizza states there were some labors during the year at points in time 3 to 4. This transfer going the council is the first of the close out transfers. We still have bills and some contractual salary payouts that will be coming a week from Thursday. Roll Call Vote. All in Favor. Motion Carries.

7. Public Service

To:	01-226-0190	Overtime Wages	\$6,500.00
	01-226-0674	Waste Collection – Trash Master	\$16,000.00
From:	01-226-0676	Waste Collection Disposal – City Carting	\$22,500.00

To close out fiscal year 14/15

Noreen Clough makes a motion to discuss. Beth Purcell seconds. Paul Rizza states that we went out to bid with Trash Masters but we made an estimate based on the reduction in costs with Trash Master.

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They came in at the same amount and we did much better in disposal costs – and the O/T speaks for itself. Roll Call Vote. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

7a. Noreen Clough made a motion to item 7a to the agenda. Beth Purcell seconds. Roll Call Vote. All in Favor. Motion Carries. Noreen Clough makes a motion to waive the reading. Beth Purcell seconds. All in Favor. Motion Carried. Noreen Clough makes a motion to discuss. Beth Purcell seconds. Attorney Zullo would like for the record to state the minutes reflect that these transfers are aggregating in the amount of \$19,072 to various account and from various account. (see attached)

Paul Rizza states that a couple of things happened during the year the largest effect is the regular salary accounts and some of the part time accounts, a couple of settlements of contractual agreements during the year to make up the wage increases in some cases 3 months some cases 1 month or so. Ralph Vitale asked why the unemployment is so high. Paul Rizza states that there have been some decisions made by the state. There were numerous collections of unemployment. We are reimbursable; the town pays dollar for dollar. There were more than anticipated. Roll Call Vote. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

7b. Noreen Clough made a motion to item 7b to the agenda. Beth Purcell seconds. Roll Call Vote. All in Favor. Motion Carries. Noreen Clough makes a motion to waive the reading. Beth Purcell seconds. All in Favor. Motion Carried. Noreen Clough makes a motion to discuss. Beth Purcell seconds. Attorney Zullo would like for the record to state the minutes reflect that these transfers are aggregating in the amount of \$19,255 to various account and from various account. (see attached)

Paul Rizza states that the overtime for Animal Control is 24/7. Roll Call Vote. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

8. Adjournment

Richard DePalma makes a motion to adjourn at 7:15 p.m. Beth Purcell seconds. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Temple Smith

Board of Finance
Clerk