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TOWN OF EASTON

BOARD OF FINANCE - MINUTES

SPECIAL BUDGET HEARING MEETING

March 25, 2014 - 7:00 P.M.

Easton Senior Center

Present: Chris Griffin-Chair, Fred Knopf-Clerk, Andy Kachele, C. Lee Hanson, Art Laske, Paul Lindoerfer, Gabriel Rossi.

Absent: Matt Gachi, Elise Nappi.

Also present: Adam Dunsby-First Selectman, Scott Centrella and Robert Lessler – Board of Selectmen, Wendy Bowditch-Treasurer, Grace Stanczyk-Comptroller.

Chris Griffin called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

The following were asked to return for review of the proposed 2014-2015 budgets.

Assessor -

Terri Raineri stated the need for additional hours for the assistant to provide service to the public when she is out on inspections, and especially, during the revaluation as she spot checks the reval company. At this time, the Board was reluctant to increase the position's hours but stated that they would be willing to revisit the situation.

01901000-5106

Asst. Wages

-\$4,982

This position remains at 30 hours.

Park & Recreation -

Gary Simone and John Boardbin were present. It was decided that Public Works and P&R will share a small dump truck on an "As Need" basis and the two departments will need to coordinate and make it work.

05235000-5035

Truck CPF outlay

-\$20,000

The Board requested a detailed copy of the capital equipment at P&R and a formalize request of what the fleet composition should be.

The Service and Fee line has an increase as "Hydro-seeding" is approximately \$5,000 for one field.

The Board reminded P&R to return quickly and present the CPF request from the Activity account so as to prevent the funds being sent to the general fund as the "Policy" states.

Professional Service -

Adam Dunsby, First Selectmen stated that budget lines 04402000-5235 and 04402000-5247 can be combined and entitled Land Use Consulting and Surveys (04402000-5247) and have a total of \$25,000.

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04402000-5235

-\$8,500

04402000-5247

+\$1,000

Town Attorney budget request of \$160,000 will remain.

Andy Kachele moved and Lee Hanson seconded a motion to adjourn at 9:29 p.m.

Motion carried unanimously.

Respectively submitted by

Fred Knopf - Clerk

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