

**Town of Easton
Board of Finance - Minutes**

Location: Easton Senior Center Meeting Type: Special, **Date/Time:** March 22, 2016 – 7:00PM
Budget Hearings
Attendees: Matt Gachi-Chair, Paul Lindoerfer-Clerk, Andy Kachele, Michael Kot, Gabriel Rossi,
Art Laske
Absentee(s): Richard Cremin
Guest(s): Adam Dunsby-First Selectman, Wendy Bowditch-Treasurer, Grace Stanczyk-Comptroller,
Meeting called to order at: 7:04 p.m. by: Matt Gachi

Appointment of Alternates

Action/Motions: Appoint Michael Kot to fill in for a vacant position on the Board for this meeting.
Motion (Second): Andy Kachele (Paul Lindoerfer) **Result:** All in favor

Appointment of Alternates

Action/Motions: Appoint Gabriel Rossi to fill in for Rich Cremin in his absence.
Motion (Second): Andy Kachele (Paul Lindoerfer) **Result:** All in favor

Agenda Item 1a *Review 2016-2017 budget for Board of Education*

Presented by: Jeff Parker, Chair BOE, Peggy Sullivan-Director of Finance BOE and
Superintendent of Schools, Thomas McMorran

Notes: Various aspects of the proposed budget of \$15,778,060 were discussed including: the
budget for special education, the status of the health insurance plan, student bussing costs,
costs associated with various line items and the recent upgrade of school building lighting
to LEDs. The BOE discussed what cuts would have to be made in the budget to get it
down to a 1% increase and also to a 0% increase.

Action/Motions: A motion was made to authorize a 16/17 BOE budget in the amount of \$15,737,408 that
is a one percent (1%) increase over the current year 15/16.

Motion (Second): Andy Kachele (Michael Kot) **Result:** Andy Kachele, Matt Gachi, Michael
Kot voted YES.
Art Laske, Gabriel Rossi, Paul
Lindoerfer voted NO.
Motion Failed

Action/Motions: A motion was made to authorize a 16/17 BOE budget in the amount of \$15,746,880. (this
is a reduction from the original request of \$31,180).

Motion (Second): Gabriel Rossi (Michael Kot) **Result:** Gabriel Rossi, Matt Gachi, Michael
Kot, Andy Kachele voted YES.
Art Laske, Paul Lindoerfer voted NO.
Motion Carried.

Agenda Item 1b *Review 2016-2017 budget for Parks & Recreation*

Presented by: John Broadbin, Chairman, Gary Simone, Director

Notes: John Broadbin reviewed the request for the 2016-17 budget. John circulated photos of
department equipment and the status of department equipment was discussed. The
department is taking on a new plan for town beautification projects. No reductions were
proposed to be made to the 2016-17 budget request.

Action/Motions: A motion was made to authorize the expenditure from the P&R Activity Account for the purchase of a truck in the amount of \$27,150

Motion (Second): Andy Kachele (Gabriel Rossi) **Result:** All in favor

Action/Motions: A motion was made to accept the total 2016-17 budget in the amount of \$581,899 that represents benefits included.

Motion (Second): Paul Lindoerfer (Gabriel Rossi) **Result:** All in favor

Agenda Item 1c ***Review 2016-2017 budget Public Works***
Presented by: Ed Nagy, Director

Notes: No reductions made.

Action/Motions: A motion was made to accept the Public Works 2016-17 with benefits in the amount of \$2,909,174.

Motion (Second): Andy Kachele (Michael Kot) **Result:** All in favor

Follow Up: None

Adjournment

Time: 9:10 PM

Action/Motions: Motion to Adjourn

Motion (Second): Michael Kot (Art Laske) **Result:** All in favor

Submitted by,



Paul Lindoerfer- Clerk