

# CITY OF DERBY BOARD OF APPORTIONMENT & TAXATION MINUTES AUGUST 21, 2017 7:00 PM JOAN WILLIAMSON ALDERMANIC CHAMBERS

Ray Bowers Howard Bradshaw James Butler Christopher Carloni. Carlo Malerba, Jr. Shirley Miani Rose Pertoso Sam Pollastro, Jr. Phyllis Sochrin Judy Szewczyk, Chairperson

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Ms. Szewczyk opened the meeting at 7:00 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call

<u>Present:</u> Mr. Bowers, Mr. Bradshaw, Mr. Butler, Mr. Malerba, Ms. Miami, Ms. Pertoso,

Mr. Pollastro and Ms. Szewczyk.

Absent: Mr. Carloni and Ms. Sochrin

Additions, Deletions and Corrections to Agenda

There were none.

Public Portion

No one spoke.

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### Motion to Approve Minutes of Meeting of July 17, 2017

Members present were not all at the last meeting. Minutes could not be approved. Ms. Szewczyk said the minutes should be filed in the Town Clerk's Office.

### Treasurer's Report

Mr. MrLiverty said we had the note sale for the next round of fund resources for sewers and we are down 3.4 Million, also the last Road balance of \$607,000, and we maintained a percentage of 1.12% which is almost free money. Our Bond Rating remained the same, and Capital Planning met, and no action was taken tonight. We are still waiting for Hartford to make a decision on the Budget.

### **Budget Procedure, Status and Advisory**

Ms. Szewczyk asked Mr. Coppola if everyone was complying with the budget restrictions, and he concurred that all departments were and the volume was down, so he did not have to add it to the agenda. He has approved some requisitions.

Mr. Coppola said it wasn't on the agenda, but Mr. Conway wanted to do a presentation to the board, regarding what was happening since the budget was not approved in Hartford. He told the board that the BOE has met all the requirements, and the Alliance money for the schools cannot be increased. He added that Irving School was no longer considered an Alliance School. He went on to tell how the school system has improved in the SAT's in many areas. Mr. Marcucio added that he is very happy with the progress, as the state has changed the different tests at least twice. The board thanked him for the information.

# 2016-2017 Budget

### Fund Balance Appropriation \$9,000.00

- From: Account (001-6000-690-6918) Fund Balance \$9,000.00
- To: Account (001-8600-240-0428) Storm Water Discharge PE \$9,000.00

A motion was made by Mr. Butler and seconded by Mr. Bradshaw. Mr. D'Amico spoke to the board regarding his invoice of \$5,000.00. He explained to the board that this was for the plan that DEP required him to do for the sewer water project. Derby started to comply with the DEP requests and then stopped, and that is when they were fined. At the time the cost was \$2,500.00 per year. Now the state has issued a new permit for a new plan, and this should last at least 5 years. This should be the last time we should see this bill amount of \$5,000.00. He stated that his report was different than the bill from Anchor. However, it does not mean that in the future the state may not require another plan to be done. Mr. DeFala also spoke stating that his department is required to check all the sewer lines to be sure what is being fed into the two rivers, the Housatonic, Naugatuck and the 2 mile brook, and

they all are considered Tier #1. Mr. DeFala went on to explain that there are 33 out falls that must tested. The \$5,000.00 is just to set up the program. All this information is listed in a 61 page permit. Ms Szewczyk added that there has to be a line item for all this. Mr. DeFala said that Mr. D'Amico makes the plan, and Anchor does the monitoring and inspections. They must make sure that all the data is correct. Mr. D'Amico said that the plan is all set, and once again, we should not see the \$5,000.00 bill again. Anchor will do all the work from now on. Ms. Szewczyk said once again that a line item should be made just for Anchor. Mr. Malerla amended the motion to pay Mr. D'Amico the \$5,000.00 and the motion was seconded by Mr. Bradshaw. Motion Carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Bowers and seconded by Ms. Miani to pay Anchor from the fund balance to account (001-8600-240-0428). The board still felt they did not want to pay this because they could not understand what the charges were for. Mayor Dugatto called the gentleman on the phone and he spoke to the board, regarding his function. A vote was taken, and the vote was 4 yes and 3 no. The motion failed.

Mayor Dugatto said there was \$10,000.00 in the line item for this sewer project, After more discussion the board agreed to pay Anchor \$4,000.00 to get the project started and to comply with the September 1st. deadline.

### <u>Special Working Balance Transfer \$17,941.10</u>

- From: Account (001-8400-390-0391) Special Working Balance \$17,941.10
- To: Respective Salary Line Items Per the CBA Approved 8.16.17 \$17,941.10

A motion was made by Mr. Malerba and seconded by Mr. Bowers. Mr. Coppola said that the union approved the contract, and the money was in the fund balance. The board questioned why the Fund Balance when it states Special Working Balance. Mr. Pollastro questioned why they were asking the Tax Board to approve this when it has not been approved by the BOA. Mr. DeFala and Mayor Duggato said that this was already a month past since the contract was signed. The board agreed that this must first be approved by the BOA and then brought back to the Tax Board for approval as the Charter states. It was agreed that this should be tabled until the next meeting, which will be after the next BOA meeting. Motion Carried.

## 2017-2018 Budget

### Fund Balance Appropriation, Not to Exceed \$41,800.00

- From Account (001-6000-690-6918) Fund Balance \$41,800.00
- To: Account (001-8600-240-0248) Storm Water Discharge PE, \$41,800.00

A motion was made by Mr. Butler and seconded by Mr. Pollastro that this request should be tabled until next month. They requested that a representative from Anchor be present to explain exactly what the billing is for. Motion Carried.

# Miscellaneous Revenue Increase \$36,675.00

- From Account (001-6000-610-6000) Misc Revenue #36,675.00
- To Account (001-8200-490-0503) Civil War Memorial \$36,675.00

A motion was made by Mr. Butler and seconded by Mr. Malerba. Motion Carried.

# **Adjournment**

A motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Malerba and seconded by Mr. Pollastro. The meeting was adjourned 9:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

**Louise Pitney** 

**Recording Secretary** 

\*\*\* These minutes are subject to the approval by the Board of Apportionment & Taxation at their next regular meeting.