

CITY OF DERBY  
BOARD OF APPORTIONMENT & TAXATION  
Wednesday May 26 2010  
7:00 p.m.  
Aldermanic Chambers

Jeremy Bell  
James Butler  
Timothy Conlon  
William Nelson Cummings  
Anita Dugatto

Carolyn Duhaime  
Frank Lazowski, Sr  
Carlo Malerba  
Mark Nichols  
Judith Szewczyk - Chairwoman

A meeting of the Board of Apportionment & Taxation of the City of Derby was held on Wednesday evening, May 26, 2010 in the Aldermanic Chambers, City Hall.

Chair Judy Szewczyk called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. with the pledge of allegiance.

By roll call, members present were Chair Judy Szewczyk, Frank Lazowski, Mark Nichols, Jeremy Bell, James Butler, Timothy Conlon, William Nelson Cummings, Anita Dugatto, Carlo Malerba and Carolyn Duhaime.

**PUBLIC PORTION**

Dan Waleski - 21 Elm Street. Mr. Waleski would like to see more support for the library repair and maintenance account.

Dr. Tracy - Superintendent of Schools. \$187.00 or about \$16.00 a month that's the tax increase that would be required to support the school system that would not require to have layoffs and reductions in the athletic and academic programs. He is asking for an appropriation of 18.2 million dollars. That level of funding would still require the school board to take about \$385,000.00 out of its original request. They would lose some things in curriculum, data systems, alternative education program and sports programs, but not teachers. It is a reasonable deal, it is less than a mill and it represents a shared sacrifice for the school board, the taxpayers and the teachers will accept a salary freeze.

Jenny Ames - reading teacher - Irving School. She was hit by the number of children who do not speak English at home. Children would go from 25 hours of English to 2.5 hours if the full day kindergarten were cut. She asks the board to consider that.

Chantal Gerckens - 65 Hillcrest Avenue. She hopes for the best decision for the children and please keep the full day kindergarten. It would be a big difference in the literacy hours. She has seen the difference. She has a high honor student, but initially it was a struggle for her. Every teacher in the system is an important part of the educational system. Please fund the amount Dr. Tracy is asking for.

Tom Lionetti - 79 Sunset Drive. No one wants a tax increase including himself. He has no children in the school system. A couple of hundred dollars a year is no big deal. Education is important. Please give the money Dr. Tracy needs.

Mayor's Speech

You have an enormous task before you. To approve a budget, even in good times, requires a masterful craft of balancing. Balancing the need for improved or additional

services wanted by our citizens versus the ability of the people of Derby to pay for those services.

That's when times are good. Last year, with the U.S. Economy falling apart, we sought and gained concessions from our Union and Non-Union employees. The Board of Education did not.

Two years ago, to save taxpayers money, we switched from one health insurance plan to an alternative plan.

Our Union Employees were not favorably inclined to the change but we had to make the change.

We urged the Education Department to do the same. They did not.

I applaud the members of the Police Union, our Public Works Union, our City Hall Union and our Library Union for their willingness to step up to the plate at a time when the economy of the United States was at its lowest in our history.

Last year, growth in spending on the city side was basically a no growth budget but we gave the board of education an increase which represented the highest in Connecticut.

We were able to have a no tax increase budget because I encourage, sometimes more than just encourage, creative and strategic thinking.

Creative and strategic thinking like long term electric contracts which have saved the taxpayers money over four years. Like changing our phone system cutting that account by 50 %.

These are just a couple of examples of creative and strategic ways in getting more from the taxpayers' dollars, as opposed to the tired way of just asking for more more more.

Last year, under the direction of our City Treasure, Keith McLiverty, the city refinanced its debt at a substantially lower rate. That, thanks to Keith, was creative and very strategic.

Those savings, that creative and strategic thinking, allowed us to have no tax increase last year and allowed us to give the Education Department the highest increase in the state.

I thought the economy would have shown major improvement from last year but the reality of it is, it has not.

Connecticut's unemployment rate is at 9.2 percent and the hidden unemployment, those who have just dropped out of the system, is an additional 7 percent.

Foreclosures of homes are at the highest rate in the history of this country and the projected rates of foreclosures is tragic. Businesses are closing.

Our friends and neighbors working at Dworkin or at Derby Cellular are now unemployed.

They can't be asked to give concessions or furlough days. They are unemployed.

Talk to any business person. Their revenues are substantially down.

Their ability to keep their doors open is becoming more and more difficult.

It is not a case of concessions but a question of survival.

Add to that, the number of people, your next door neighbor, a family member, a colleague, living with great insecurity as to whether they will have a job, a way to feed their families, the very next day.

Look at the world. Greece has gone bankrupt and many suggest Spain and Portugal are soon to follow. If you watched the coverage of the protests in Greece, the huge majority of protestors were public employees, protesting the demands of concessions. In a dream world, some think Greece could never happen here in the United States of America. Many economists are now warning Greece could happen here.

Do you realize the upcoming federal budget is funded 2/3's by tax revenue and 1/3 is borrowed money. Let me repeat that again. Two thirds of the federal budget is funded by tax dollars and one third is borrowed. That is insanity, pure insanity. And greater insanity is that will continue for many years.

Many people now realize the insanity and have begun to say NO. No more. Stop this craziness. They are telling us this insanity must end. If not who is going to come to our aid?

In towns and cities throughout the State of Connecticut, voters are saying no more.

Last night Seymour voters rejected the third educational budget put before them.

They rejected an education budget of 0% growth. The next budget they will vote on will be a net cut of \$250,000.

Bethlehem and Woodbury have approved a cut of .11%

Goshen, Morris and Warren have approved a cut of .05%

Windsor zero growth

Meriden Zero growth

Lisbon zero growth

Enfield zero growth

Windsor Locks zero growth

Shelton a growth of .0015%

Bristol a growth of .29%

Tolland a growth of 1.0%

Wilton, a very wealthy community, 1.17%

Suffield, another wealthy community, 1.46%

Simsbury and Westport, two wealthy communities, 1.60%

Weston, another wealthy community, 1.64%

And let me end this list with Ansonia, a town slightly larger than Derby with an economic and social base close to that of Derby, 1.95%

The list is far from complete but it is what exists as of this morning. What the list presently is telling us, is the days of Government solving any and all problems with demands for more money, have ended.

Would I prefer being before you, seeking your vote for the Educational Budget request of 7.1%. That would be the easy and the irresponsible way.

I have a history of supporting educational spending. You will find the increases in educational funding in my years as Mayor have been substantially above the average.

I made many phone calls the night of the referendum for the middle school asking for support. I am not anti education but I, along with you, have an obligation to all the voters and tax payers.

As we have been creative and strategic in our spending on the city side, I challenge the superintendent to do the same. I don't like hearing of the elimination of the full day kindergarten while school principals receive a 3.5 % increase this year and a 4% increase next year.

It is not creative telling us of the short supply of books when, in the recent past they transferred money out of the text book line item. I challenge the superintendent to be creative as I have been. Find better ways to perform a service rather than just asking more more more. It is easy in a good economy but the real leaders surface in a bad economy. I believe our Superintendent possesses that talent and assume those he surrounds himself do as well. If not, he should find new people to surround himself.

In closing, I understand, Monday night, a member or possibly two, felt those who attended the public hearing last week were representative of the population of Derby.

I don't agree with that assessment. The Superintendent did as he thought best, by motivating people to come out in support of his budget by using ROBO calling. I don't know if that ROBO call went to all households but I ask you to consider the following: If I spent the taxpayers money on a ROBO call to all households citing the facts of this speech, I am guessing this room would be filled, this building would be filled and our Chief of Police would have a traffic control problem.

I believe you would have tax payers demanding a return to sanity. Taxpayers saying we are against the more more more mentality. I think this is a year for all of us to join together and find solutions in solving the needs of Derby while understanding the taxpayer's ability to pay.

I don't like asking for a one mill increase but will agree to a one mill increase as a compromise. I ask and urge you to do the same. Thank you.

The public portion was closed at 7:21 p.m.

**A MOTION** by Mr. Bell with a second by Mr. Conlon that in the case a vote is not unanimous a roll call will be taken, all in favor. **Motion carries.**

**1100 MAYOR**

A motion was made by Mr. Bell and second by Ms. Duhaime to adopt a budget of \$192,169, all in favor, motion carried.

**1200 PROBATE**

A motion was made by Mr. Nichols and second by Mr. Malerba adopt a total of \$8,000, all in favor, motion carried.

**1201 FINANCE COMMITTEE**

A motion was made by Ms. Duhaime and second by Ms. Butler to adopt a total of \$2,400, all in favor, motion carried.

**1300 TOWN CLERK**

A motion was made by Mr. Cummings and second by Mr. Butler to adopt a total of \$165,970 all in favor, all in favor, motion carried.

**1400 ZONING BOARD**

There is no motion, budget amount is \$0.00.

**1500 REGISTRAR OF VOTERS**

A motion was made by Mr. Malerba and second by Mr. Cummings to adopt the amount of \$44,518, discussion...there is a friendly amendment by Ms. Duhaime with a second by Mr. Conlon to increase line item 1500-390-0393 elections by \$200.00 for a total line item of \$12,000.00, the friendly amendment is accepted by the motion makers, all in favor, motion carried. The adjusted department total passed is \$44,718.00.

**1600 LEGAL**

A motion was made by Mr. Butler and second by Mr. Nichols to adopt a total of \$248,900.00, all in favor, motion carries.

**1700 DATA PROCESSING**

A motion was made by Ms. Duhaime and second by Mr. Malerba to adopt a total of \$37,625, all in favor, motion carried.

**2100 TREASURER**

A motion was made by Mr. Butler and second by Mr. Nichols to adopt a total of \$86,600, all in favor, motion carried.

**2200 INSURANCE**

A motion was made by Ms. Duhaime and second by Mr. Cummings to adopt a total of \$511,493, all in favor, motion carried.

**2300 RETIREMENT**

A motion was made by Mr. Nichols and second by Mr. Butler to adopt a total of \$1,022,000, all in favor, motion carried.

**2400 EMPLOYEE BENEFITS**

A motion was made by Mr. Bell and second by Ms. Duhaime to adopt a total of \$2,435,079, discussion....there is a friendly amendment by Mr. Cummings, second by Mr. Conlon to adjust line item 2400-260-0262 to \$120,000.00 in total and adjust 2400-270-0270 Health Insurance City Appropriation to \$1,420,000 in total and increase 2400-270-0280 to \$210,000.00 in total for a new department total of \$2,259,892 the amendment is accepted by the motion makers, all in favor, motion carried.

**2500 FINANCE DEPARTMENT**

A motion was made by Mr. Butler and second by Mr. Bell to adopt a total of \$201,928. all in favor, motion carried.

**2600 PAYROLL TAXES**

A motion was made by Ms. Duhaime and second by Mr. Malerba to adopt a total of \$430,000, all in favor, motion carried.

**2800 TAX COLLECTOR**

A motion was made by Mr. Nichols and second by Ms. Duhaime to adopt a total of \$100,374, all in favor, motion carried.

**2900 ASSESSOR**

A motion was made by Mr. Malerba and second by Mr. Butler to adopt a total of \$224,179, all in favor, motion carried.

**3000 AUX POLICE**

A motion was made by Mr. Conlon and second by Mr. Lazowski, to adopt a total of \$18,105, all in favor, motion carried.

**3100 POLICE**

A motion was made by Mr. Malerba and second by Mr. Lazowski, to adopt a total of \$3,055,267, discussion....there is a friendly amendment by Ms. Duhaime with a second by Mr. Cummings to increase line item 3100-110-0010 Supernumeraries Wages by \$6,500.00 for a new line item total of \$20,676, the amendment is accepted by the motion makers, the new department total \$3,061,767, all in favor, Ms. Dugatto is opposed.

Roll Call: Mr. Bell - yes, Mr. Butler - yes, Mr. Conlon - yes, Ms. Duhaime - yes, Mr. Cummings - yes, Ms. Dugatto - no, Mr. Lazowski - yes, Mr. Malerba - yes, Mr. Nichols - yes, and Ms. Szewwczyk - yes. The vote is 9 in favor, 1 opposed, motion passes.

Mr. Conlon makes a motion to increase the supernumeraries wages to \$42,527.00 to meet the contractual obligation, second by Mr. Butler, discussion... the increase suggested (\$6,500.00) will take care of the contractual obligation, Mr. Conlon withdraws his motion. The adopted department budget is \$3,061,767.

**3200 FIRE**

A motion was made by Mr. Lazowski and second by Mr. Malerba to adopt a total of \$228,615, all in favor, Mr. Butler recused himself, motion carried.

**3300 Civil Defense**

A motion was made by Mr. Butler and second by Mr. Conlon to adopt a total of \$16,367.00, discussion...there is a friendly amendment by Mr. Cummings with a second by Ms. Duhaime to increase line item 3300-210-0210 telephones to \$360.00, the amendment is accepted by the motion makers all in favor, motion carried. The adopted department budget is \$16,475.

**3400 FIRE MARSHALL**

A motion was made by Ms. Duhaime and second by Mr. Malerba to adopt a total of \$94,002, all in favor, motion carried.

**3600 PUBLIC HYDRANTS**

A motion was made by Mr. Butler and second by Mr. Malerba to adopt a total of \$350,000, all in favor, motion carried.

**3700 MISCELLANEOUS CAPITAL**

A motion was made by Ms. Duhaime and second by Mr. Malerba to adopt a total of \$539,455.00, all in favor, motion carried.

**4100 HIGHWAY**

A motion was made by Mr. Butler and second by Mr. Lazowski to adopt a total of \$1,362,036, discussion.... there is a friendly amendment by Ms. Duhaime with a second by Mr. Malerba to increase line item 4100-210-0210 telephones to \$450.00, the amendment is accepted by the motion makers all in favor, motion carried. The adopted department budget is \$1,362,126.

**4200 CITY ELECTRICITY**

A motion was made by Mr. Bell and second by Mr. Malerba to adopt a total of \$559,800, all in favor, motion carried.

**4300 SANITATION**

A motion was made by Mr. Nichols and second by Mr. Lazowski to adopt a total of \$1,333,555, all in favor, motion carried.

**5100 PARKS**

A motion was made by Mr. Cummings and second by Mr. Malerba to adopt a total of \$256,509, all in favor, motion carried.

**5400 HEALTH SERVICES**

A motion was made by Mr. Nichols and second by Mr. Conlon, to adopt a total of \$164,194, all in favor, motion carried.

**5500 LIBRARY**

A motion was made by Mr. Malerba and second by Mr. Nichols to adopt a total of \$431,041, discussion....Ms. Szewczyk noted there is money set aside in the special working balance for the library as will be noted later, all in favor, motion carried.

**5600 CEMETERY**

A motion was made by Mr. Butler and second by Mr. Lazowski to adopt a total of \$300.00, discussion....there is a friendly amendment by Mr. Nichols with a second by Mr. Cummings to increase the department total with its only one line item to \$600.00, the amendment is accepted by the motion makers, all in favor, motion carried.

**6100 BUILDING INSPECTOR**

A motion was made by Mr. Malerba and second by Ms. Duhaime to adopt a total of \$143,000 all in favor, motion carried.

**6300 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**

A motion was made by Mr. Butler and second by Mr. Cummings to adopt a total of \$289,080, all in favor, motion carried.

**6400 FLOOD CONTROL**

A motion was made by Mr. Butler and second by Mr. Conlon to adopt a total of \$37,550, all in favor, motion carried.

**6500 PLANNING & ZONING**

A motion was made by Mr. Cummings and second by Ms. Duhaime to adopt a total of \$16,050, all in favor, motion carried.

**6510 INLAND WETLANDS**

A motion was made by Mr. Nichols and second by Mr. Malerba to adopt a total of \$200, all in favor, motion carried.

**6800 SENIOR CENTER**

A motion was made by Mr. Cummings and second by Mr. Conlon to adopt a total of \$188,534, all in favor, motion carried.

**7100 BONDED INDEBTEDNESS**

A motion was made by Mr. Lazowski and second by Mr. Butler to adopt a total of \$1,600,000 all in favor, motion carried.

**7200 LOCIP**

A motion was made by Mr. Butler and second by Mr. Malerba to adopt a total of \$104,000, discussion....there is a friendly amendment by Mr. Conlon with a second by Mr. Butler to reduce the amount to \$97,950.00 because of revenue considerations, the amendment is accepted by the motion makers, all in favor, motion carried.

**8100 CITY HALL MAINTENANCE**

A motion was made by Ms. Duhaime and second by Mr. Cummings to adopt a total of \$284,120, all in favor, motion carried.

**8200 CITY WIDE AGENCIES**

A motion was made by Mr. Lazowski and second by Mr. Nichols to adopt a total of \$136,501.00, all in favor, motion carried.

**8300 CITY WIDE FUEL**

A motion was made by Mr. Butler and second by Mr. Nichols to adopt a total of \$160,000, all in favor, motion carried.

**8400 BUDGET WORKING BALANCE**

A motion was made by Mr. Nichols and second by Mr. Conlon to adopt a total of \$156,024, discussion....there is a friendly amendment by Ms. Duhaime with a second by Mr. Malerba to increase line item 8400-390-0391 Special Working Balance by \$12,550.00 for the Library rainy day/slush emergency funding for a new total for that line item to be

\$118,574 the amendment was accepted by the motion makers, discussion..... the increase is as follows \$10,000.00 for the Library and \$2,550.00 for the 4% wage increase for the firefighters (to be approved by the Board of Aldermen) all in favor, motion carried.

#### **8600 CITY ENGINEER**

A motion was made by Mr. Lazowski and second by Mr. Nichols to adopt a total of \$45,000, all in favor, motion carried.

#### **9100 EDUCATION**

**A MOTION** by Mr. Nichols with a second by Mr. Butler to accept the \$17,584,779...discussion....there is a friendly amendment by Mr. Cummings with a second by Ms. Duhaime to increase 9100-100-0100 by \$80,000.00 for a revised total of \$17,664,779, the amendment is accepted by the motion makers, discussion....all in favor of accepting the amended amount of \$17,664,779.....

Roll Call: For \$17,664,779 Mr. Bell - no, Mr. Butler - yes, Mr. Conlon - no, Ms. Duhaime - yes, Mr. Cummings - yes, Ms. Dugatto - no, Mr. Lazowski - no, Mr. Malerba - no, Mr. Nichols - yes, Ms. Szewczyk - yes. The vote is 5 in favor and 5 opposed - motion fails.

**A MOTION** by Mr. Malerba to approve \$17,878,722,....(that failed, so it can't be voted on)

Ms. Szewczyk suggests hearing from someone who opposed the original vote, and vote on the preliminary amount to be on the table and then members can be free to start suggesting amendments to that.

**A MOTION** by Ms. Dugatto with a second by Mr. Conlon to approve \$17,584,779....

there is a friendly amendment by Mr. Malerba to increase the number \$17,664,779 which is the preliminary adopted budget by \$293,943 for a total of \$17,958,722,

there is a question of the amount of the increase by Ms. Szewczyk being \$373,943,

Mr. Malerba believes it is \$17,878,722. (The amount of \$17,878,722 is a result of \$17,584,779, plus \$80,000.00, plus \$293,943.00).

There was a motion made by Ms. Dugatto and seconded by Mr. Conlon in the amount of \$17,584,779, a friendly amendment was added by Mr. Malerba for an additional \$293,943.00, there is a second by Mr. Bell which is accepted by Ms. Dugatto and Mr. Conlon, discussion.....all in favor of accepting a total of \$17,878,722

Roll Call: Mr. Bell - yes, Mr. Butler - no, Mr. Conlon - yes, Ms. Duhaime - no, Mr. Cummings - no, Ms. Dugatto - yes, Mr. Lazowski - no, Mr. Malerba - yes, Mr. Nichols - no, Ms. Szewczyk - no. The vote is 4 in favor and 6 opposed - motion fails.

There is a recess for a democratic caucus. **A MOTION** for a twenty minute caucus by Mr. Bell with a second by Mr. Nichols, all in favor, motion carries. The meeting is reconvened at 8:32 p.m.

**A MOTION** by Mr. Nichols to approve \$17,584,779 with a second by Mr. Conlon, discussion....there is a friendly amendment by Mr. Malerba to increase it by \$233,943.00 for a new department total of \$17,798,722, the amendment is not accepted by Mr. Nichols, discussion....

There is a friendly amendment by Mr. Cummings to increase the department total by \$79,739.00, second by Ms. Duhaime, amendment accepted by Mr. Nichols and is not accepted by Mr. Conlon, discussion.....

There is a friendly amendment by Mr. Bell to increase \$17,584,779 by \$150,000.00, the amendment is not accepted by Mr. Nichols, discussion.....

All those in favor of accepting the preliminary budget of \$17,584,779....

Roll Call: Mr. Bell - no, Mr. Butler - yes, Mr. Conlon - no, Ms. Duhaime - yes, Mr. Cummings - yes, Ms. Dugatto - no, Mr. Lazowski - no, Mr. Malerba - no, Mr. Nichols - yes, Ms. Szewczyk - yes. The vote is 5 in favor and 5 opposed - motion fails.

**A MOTION** by Mr. Lazowski with a second by Mr. Conlon to approve \$17,584,779 with an increase of \$373,943.00 for a total of \$17,958,722, discussion.....all in favor....

Roll Call: Mr. Bell - no, Mr. Butler - no, Mr. Conlon - no, Ms. Duhaime - no, Mr. Cummings - no, Ms. Dugatto - yes, Mr. Lazowski - yes, Mr. Malerba - yes, Mr. Nichols - no, Ms. Szewczyk - no. The vote is 3 in favor and 7 opposed - motion fails.

There is a friendly amendment to add \$100,000.00 to the preliminary budget amount by Ms. Duhaime, second by Mr. Nichols, discussion.....all in favor of accepting a budget of \$17,684,779,

Roll Call: Mr. Bell - no Mr. Butler - no, Mr. Conlon - no, Ms. Duhaime - yes, Mr. Cummings - no, Ms. Dugatto - no, Mr. Lazowski - no, Mr. Malerba - no, Mr. Nichols - yes, Ms. Szewczyk - yes. The vote is 3 in favor and 7 opposed - motion fails.

**A MOTION** by Mr. Malerba with a second by Mr. Conlon to add \$200,000.00 to the preliminary budget for a total budget amount of \$17,784,779, discussion....., all in favor.....

Roll Call: Mr. Bell - yes Mr. Butler - yes, Mr. Conlon - yes, Ms. Duhaime - no, Mr. Cummings - no, Ms. Dugatto - yes, Mr. Lazowski - no, Mr. Malerba - yes, Mr. Nichols - no, Ms. Szewczyk - no. The vote is 5 in favor and 5 opposed - motion fails.

**A MOTION** to allow a republican caucus by Ms. Duhaime, second by Mr. Nichols, all in favor, motion carries. The meeting has reconvened at 9:07 p.m.

**A MOTION** by Mr. Bell for an increase to the base amount of \$17,584,779 plus \$150,000.00 for a total of \$17,734,779.00, second by Mr. Nichols, all in favor.....

Roll Call: Mr. Bell - yes, Mr. Butler - yes, Mr. Conlon - yes, Ms. Duhaime - yes, Mr. Cummings - yes, Ms. Dugatto - no, Mr. Lazowski - no, Mr. Malerba - no, Mr. Nichols - yes, Ms. Szewczyk - yes. The vote is 7 in favor and 3 opposed - motion passes. The department total adopted is \$17,734,779.

#### **9200 YOUTH SERVICES**

**A MOTION** by Mr. Bell with a second by Mr. Cummings for \$37,150.00, all in favor, motion carries.

#### **ADOPTION OF CITY BUDGET**

**A MOTION** to accept the bottom line budget of \$34,890,980 by for the 2010-2011 fiscal year by Mr. Cummings, second by Ms. Duhaime.....there is a friendly amendment to add \$50,000.00 to the budget, second by Ms. Dugatto, the amendment is not accepted by the motion makers, all in favor.....

Roll Call: Mr. Bell - yes, Mr. Butler - yes, Mr. Conlon - yes, Ms. Duhaime - yes, Mr. Cummings - yes, Ms. Dugatto - no, Mr. Lazowski - no, Mr. Malerba - no, Mr. Nichols - yes, Ms. Szewczyk - yes. The vote is 7 in favor and 3 opposed - motion passes.

#### **RECESS**

There will be a recess at 9:15 to review revenue figures. The meeting is called back to order at 9:27 p.m.

There is another recess to review revenue figures at 9:36 p.m. The meeting is reconvened at 9:38 p.m.

#### **ADOPTION OF REVENUE**

**A MOTION** to accept the revenue at \$34,890,980 by Mr. Cummings, second by Ms. Duhaime, all in favor, motion carries.

#### **ADOPTION OF MILL RATE**

**A MOTION** to adopt a mill rate of 27.4 by Ms. Duhaime with a second by Mr. Cummings, all in favor, motion carried.

Mayor Staffieri thanked the board for their hard work, it is appreciated by him and all the citizens, by keeping the mill increase to a minimum.

Ms. Szewczyk also thanked the board for their integrity and enthusiasm for their job and their fight for what they believe in, she also thanked Mr. Domurad and Mr. McLiverty for their expertise.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

**A MOTION** was made by Ms. Duhaime to adjourn with a second by Mr. Malerba. Meeting ended at 9:43 p.m.

*Respectfully Submitted*

*Denise Cesaroni  
Recording Secretary*

**\*\*\*These minutes are subject to the approval of the Board of Apportionment and Taxation at their next regularly scheduled meeting.**