

MINUTES
JOINT BOARDS OF MAYOR AND BURGESSES
AND BOARD OF FINANCE
PRESENTATION OF BUDGET TO JOINT BOARDS
May 6, 2013

1. Mayor Robert Mezzo called the special meeting to order at **7:24 p.m.** with the following in attendance:

BURGESSES:

T. K. Rossi

M. Bronko

R. Burns

M. Ciacciarella

C. Ernsky

L. Jackson

R. Neth

R. San Angelo, arr. 7:27 p.m.

P. Scully, Sr.

PRESS:

A. Malik

L. Marshall

P. Singley

FINANCE BOARD:

A. Bottinick

A. Campbell

M. Katra

J. Merrill, absent

A. Pistarelli, absent

J. Sampaio, absent

D. Scinto

D. Sheridan, Jr.

J. Tavares

ALTERNATES:

K. Kiernan, absent

RESIDENTS:

Three

DEPARTMENT HEADS:

R. Butler, BOE Assistant Business Manager

J. Tindall-Gibson, Superintendent

E. Murray, Deputy Fire Chief

W. McAllister, Controller

K. Hanks, Fire Chief

J. Kallipolites, IT Director

2. Mayor Mezzo led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.
3. Mayor Mezzo turned the meeting over to Finance Board Chairwoman Diane Scinto.
4. Chairwoman Scinto stated that each department budget as prepared by the Finance Board will be discussed separately. Each budget will either be **accepted as presented** or **accepted with specified changes**. Each proposed change to a budget will be voted on separately.

Board of Education

Motion by R. Neth and seconded by T. K. Rossi that the **Board of Education Budget** be accepted as presented in the amount of **\$59,582,076**.

M. Ciacciarella, M. Katra and D. Sheridan opposed.

R. San Angelo arrived 7:27 p.m.

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION:

Administrative

VOTED: Unanimously on a motion by R. Neth and seconded by T. K. Rossi that the **Administrative Budget** be accepted as presented in the amount of **\$252,188**.

Minutes – Joint Boards of Mayor and Burgesses and Board of Finance
Special Meeting – Presentation of the Budget – May 6, 2013

Town Hall Building

VOTED: Unanimously on a motion by R. Neth and seconded by T. K. Rossi that the **Town Hall Building Budget** be accepted as presented in the amount of \$133,279.

Town Wide Activity

VOTED: Unanimously on a motion by R. Neth and seconded by T. K. Rossi that the **Town Wide Activity Budget** be accepted as presented in the amount of \$187,710.

Department of Finance

VOTED: Unanimously on a motion by R. Neth and seconded by T. K. Rossi that the **Department of Finance Budget** be accepted as presented in the amount of \$379,333.

Probate Court

VOTED: Unanimously on a motion by R. Neth and seconded by T. K. Rossi that the **Probate Court Budget** be accepted as presented in the amount of \$15,395.

Elections

VOTED: Unanimously on a motion by R. Neth and seconded by T. K. Rossi that the **Elections Budget** be accepted as presented in the amount of \$128,996.

Tax Department

VOTED: Unanimously on a motion by R. Neth and seconded by T. K. Rossi that the **Tax Department Budget** be accepted as presented in the amount of \$229,843.

Property Assessment

VOTED: Unanimously on a motion by R. Neth and seconded by T. K. Rossi that the **Property Assessment Budget** be accepted as presented in the amount of \$222,942.

Building Inspector

VOTED: Unanimously on a motion by R. Neth and seconded by T. K. Rossi that the **Building Inspector Budget** be accepted as presented in the amount of \$198,833.

Information Technology

VOTED: Unanimously on a motion by R. Neth and seconded by T. K. Rossi that the **Information Technology Budget** be accepted as presented in the amount of \$222,193.

Minutes – Joint Boards of Mayor and Burgesses and Board of Finance
Special Meeting – Presentation of the Budget – May 6, 2013

Town Clerk

VOTED: Unanimously on a motion by R. Neth and seconded by P. Scully that the **Town Clerk Budget** be accepted as presented in the amount of \$200,526.

Downtown Development

Motion by R. Neth and seconded by T. K. Rossi that the **Downtown Development Budget** be accepted as presented in the amount of \$324,700.

M. Ciacciarella opposed.

Naugatuck Economic Development Corporation

Motion by R. Neth and seconded by T. K. Rossi that the **Naugatuck Economic Development Corporation Budget** be accepted as presented in the amount of \$94,050.

M. Ciacciarella, M. Katra and P. Scully opposed.

Prospect Street School Building Maintenance

VOTED: Unanimously on a motion by R. Neth and seconded by T. K. Rossi that the **Prospect Street School Building Maintenance Budget** be accepted as presented in the amount of \$85,780.

Land Use

VOTED: Unanimously on a motion by R. Neth and seconded by T. K. Rossi that the **Land Use Budget** be accepted as presented in the amount of \$193,018.

Legal Department

VOTED: Unanimously on a motion by R. Neth and seconded by T. K. Rossi that the **Legal Department Budget** be accepted as presented in the amount of \$285,000.

Estimated Wage Increases

Motion by R. Neth and seconded by T. K. Rossi that the **Estimated Wage Increases Budget** be accepted with specified changes in the amount of \$113,560.

Mayor Mezzo abstained.

Human Resources

VOTED: Unanimously on a motion by R. Neth and seconded by R. Burns that the **Human Resources Budget** be accepted as presented in the amount of \$85,324.

PUBLIC SAFETY:

Police Department

Motion by R. Neth and seconded by T. K. Rossi that the **Police Department Budget** be accepted as presented in the amount of \$6,454,975.

A. Campbell in favor.

Minutes – Joint Boards of Mayor and Burgesses and Board of Finance
Special Meeting – Presentation of the Budget – May 6, 2013

Motion by R. Neth and seconded by T. K. Rossi that the **Police Department Budget** be accepted with specified changes (decrease in payroll 66,266, electricity 5,600, heat/gas 2,200, water 300) in the amount of \$6,380,609.

A. Campbell opposed.

Fire Department

Motion by R. Neth and seconded by T. K. Rossi that the **Fire Department Budget** be accepted as presented in the amount of \$4,124,206.

A. Campbell abstained.

Motion by R. Neth and seconded by T. K. Rossi that the **Fire Department Budget** be accepted with specified changes (decrease in overtime 150,000, retirement 58,934, payroll 28,333, uniform cleaning 20,600, gas/oil 1,700, tires 375) in the amount of \$3,864,264.

A. Campbell abstained.

Ambulance

VOTED: Unanimously on a motion by R. Neth and seconded by T. K. Rossi that the **Ambulance Budget** be accepted as presented in the amount of \$0.

Office of Emergency Management

VOTED: Unanimously on a motion by R. Neth and seconded by L. Jackson that the **Office of Emergency Management Budget** be accepted as presented in the amount of \$5,000.

Local Emergency Planning Committee (NEMAC)

VOTED: Unanimously on a motion by R. Neth and seconded by T. K. Rossi that the **Local Emergency Planning Committee (NEMAC) Budget** be accepted as presented in the amount of \$19,900.

Eastside Fire Station

VOTED: Unanimously on a motion by R. Neth and seconded by T. K. Rossi that the **Eastside Fire Station Budget** be accepted as presented in the amount of \$16,590.

Safety Patrol

VOTED: Unanimously on a motion by R. Neth and seconded by T. K. Rossi that the **Safety Patrol Budget** be accepted as presented in the amount of \$1,000.

Fire/Police

VOTED: Unanimously on a motion by R. Neth and seconded by P. Scully that the **Fire/Police Budget** be accepted as presented in the amount of \$1,000.

Chairwoman Scinto recessed the meeting at 8:40 p.m.

Chairwoman Scinto reconvened the meeting at 8:50 p.m.

Minutes – Joint Boards of Mayor and Burgesses and Board of Finance
Special Meeting – Presentation of the Budget – May 6, 2013

HEALTH AND WELFARE:

Social Services

VOTED: Unanimously on a motion by T. K. Rossi and seconded by P. Scully that the **Social Services Budget** be accepted as presented in the amount of **\$30,000** .
R. Neth was not present for the vote.

Youth Services

Motion by T. K. Rossi and seconded by R. Neth that the **Youth Services Budget** be accepted as presented in the amount of **\$121,984** .
M. Bronko and L. Jackson opposed.

Visiting Nurses Association

Motion by R. Neth and seconded by T. K. Rossi that the **Visiting Nurses Association Budget** be accepted as presented in the amount of **\$1,206,937** .
M. Katra opposed.

Water Pollution Control Authority

VOTED: Unanimously on a motion by R. Neth and seconded by T. K. Rossi that the **Water Pollution Control Authority Budget** be accepted as presented in the amount of **\$6,558,141** .

Senior Center

VOTED: Unanimously on a motion by R. Neth and seconded by T. K. Rossi that the **Senior Center Budget** be accepted as presented in the amount of **\$117,343** .

PUBLIC WORKS:

Department of Public Works Operations and Maintenance

Motion by R. Neth and seconded by T. K. Rossi that the **Department of Public Works Operations and Maintenance Budget** be accepted as presented in the amount of **\$4,198,725**.
D. Sheridan and M. Katra opposed.

Engineering Department

VOTED: Unanimously on a motion by R. Neth and seconded by T. K. Rossi that the **Engineering Department Budget** be accepted as presented in the amount of **\$410,208** .

DEBT SERVICE:

Debt Service

Motion by R. Neth and seconded by T. K. Rossi that the **Debt Service Budget** be accepted as presented in the amount of **\$3,880,574** .
Motion unanimously opposed.

Minutes – Joint Boards of Mayor and Burgesses and Board of Finance
Special Meeting – Presentation of the Budget – May 6, 2013

VOTED: Unanimously on a motion by R. Neth and seconded by T. K. Rossi that the **Debt Service Budget** be accepted with specified changes (decrease in bond redemption 301,839, lease payments 275,000) in the amount of \$3,303,735 .

PENSIONS:

Pensions

Motion by R. Neth and seconded by T. K. Rossi that the **Pensions Budget** be accepted as presented in the amount of \$9,636,662 .

Mayor Mezzo abstained.

NON-DEPARTMENTAL:

Insurance

VOTED: Unanimously on a motion by R. Neth and seconded by T. K. Rossi that the **Insurance Budget** be accepted as presented in the amount of \$8,468,642 .

Community Services

Motion by R. Neth and seconded by T. K. Rossi that the **Community Services Budget** be accepted as presented in the amount of \$959,610 .

D. Sheridan opposed.

General

VOTED: Unanimously on a motion by R. Neth and seconded by T. K. Rossi that the **General Budget** be accepted as presented in the amount of \$1,273,810 .

Reserve Fund

Motion by R. Neth and seconded by T. K. Rossi that the **Reserve Fund Budget** be accepted as presented in the amount of \$1,375,359 .

Motion unanimously opposed.

Motion by R. Neth and seconded by T. K. Rossi that the **Reserve Fund Budget** be accepted with specified changes (decrease police vehicles 58,850, revaluation 30,000, 95,000 plow truck and increase air bottle replacement 5,369, road resurfacing 300,000) in the amount of \$1,496,878 .

T. K. Rossi and D. Scinto opposed.

Contingency

VOTED: Unanimously on a motion by R. Neth and seconded by T. K. Rossi that the **Contingency Budget** be accepted as presented in the amount of \$400,000 .

Revenues

VOTED: Unanimously on a motion by R. Neth and seconded by T. K. Rossi that the **Revenues Budget** be accepted as presented in the amount of \$111,405,784 .

Minutes – Joint Boards of Mayor and Burgesses and Board of Finance
Special Meeting – Presentation of the Budget – May 6, 2013

5. **VOTED:** Unanimously on a motion by M. Katra and seconded by P. Scully that the Joint Boards meeting be adjourned at **11:10 p.m.**

A digital recording of this meeting is available in the office of the Borough Clerk for further review.

Attest:

Nancy K. DiMeo
Borough Clerk