

**MINUTES
JOINT BOARDS OF MAYOR AND BURGESSES
AND BOARD OF FINANCE
ADOPTION OF THE 2016-2017 BUDGET
MAY 5, 2016**

1. Mayor N. Warren “Pete” Hess called the special meeting to order at **6:32 p.m.** with the following in attendance:

BURGESSES:

R. Neth
R. Burns
K. Donovan
C. Herb
D. Hoff

L. Jackson, arr. 6:43 p.m.
P. Scully, Sr.
R. Vitale
D. Wisniewski, left 8:11 p.m.

PRESS:

L. Marshall
P. Singley

RESIDENTS:

None

FINANCE BOARD:

A. Bottinick
A. Campbell, absent
K. Kiernan, arr. 6:53 p.m., left 9:00 p.m.
A. Lopez, arr. 6:36 p.m.
A. Pistarelli

J. Savarese
D. Scinto
D. Sheridan, Jr.
S. Stirk

ALTERNATES:

R. Burke, left 9:30 p.m.
E. Fennell, absent
W. McAllister, absent

DEPARTMENT HEADS:

C. Montini, Assistant Superintendent of Schools
E. Murray, Fire Chief

R. Butler, Controller

2. Rocky Vitale led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.
3. Mayor Hess turned the meeting over to Finance Board Chairwoman Diane Scinto who appointed R. Burke in the absence of A. Campbell.
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 P. Scully that the **Board of Education Budget** be accepted as presented in the amount of **\$61,683,651**.

C. Herb abstained.

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION:

Administrative

Motion by R. Neth and seconded by P. Scully that the **Administrative Budget** be accepted as presented in the amount of **\$270,800**.

R. Burke, K. Donovan, A. Pistarelli, D. Scinto, S. Stirk and R. Vitale in favor.

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Motion by R. Neth and seconded by P. Scully that the **Administrative Budget** be accepted with specified changes (decrease \$1,400 referendum supplies, decrease \$500 mayor’s expense) in the amount of \$268,900.

D. Scinto opposed.

Town Hall Building

VOTED: Unanimously on a motion by R. Neth and seconded by P. Scully that the **Town Hall Building Budget** be accepted as presented in the amount of \$130,953.

Town Wide Activity

VOTED: Unanimously on a motion by R. Neth and seconded by P. Scully that the **Town Wide Activity Budget** be accepted as presented in the amount of \$182,000.

Department of Finance

Motion by R. Neth and seconded by P. Scully that the **Department of Finance Budget** be accepted as presented in the amount of \$486,223.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

FOR

OPPOSE

ABSTAIN

N. Warren Hess	R. Burke
D. Scinto	R. Burns
A. Bottinick	K. Donovan
A. Lopez	C. Herb
A. Pistarelli	P. Scully
J. Savarese	R. Vitale
D. Sheridan	D. Wisniewski
S. Stirk	

R. Neth
K. Kiernan
D. Hoff
L. Jackson

None

Motion carried 15-4-0

Motion rescinded.

Motion by R. Neth and seconded by P. Scully that the **Department of Finance Budget** be accepted with specified changes (decrease \$15,000 regular payroll) in the amount of \$471,223.

D. Hoff, L. Jackson, K. Kiernan and R. Neth opposed.

Probate Court

VOTED: Unanimously on a motion by R. Neth and seconded by P. Scully that the **Probate Court Budget** be accepted as presented in the amount of \$29,344.

Elections

VOTED: Unanimously on a motion by R. Neth and seconded by P. Scully that the **Elections Budget** be accepted as presented in the amount of \$103,771.

Tax Department

Motion by R. Neth and seconded by P. Scully that the **Tax Department Budget** be accepted as presented in the amount of \$235,016.

Motion unanimously opposed.

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Motion by R. Neth and seconded by P. Scully that the **Tax Department Budget** be accepted with specified changes (decrease \$1,700 postage, decrease \$1,300 printing) in the amount of \$232,016.

C. Herb and D. Sheridan opposed.

Property Assessment

Motion by R. Neth and seconded by P. Scully that the **Property Assessment Budget** be accepted as presented in the amount of \$251,177.

Motion unanimously opposed.

VOTED: Unanimously on a motion by R. Neth and seconded by P. Scully that the **Property Assessment Budget** be accepted with specified changes (decrease \$10,000 mapping) in the amount of \$241,177.

Building Inspector

VOTED: Unanimously on a motion by R. Neth and seconded by P. Scully that the **Building Inspector Budget** be accepted as presented in the amount of \$216,340.

Information Technology

VOTED: Unanimously on a motion by R. Neth and seconded by P. Scully that the **Information Technology Budget** be accepted as presented in the amount of \$206,233.

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 \$179,990.

Downtown Development

VOTED: Unanimously on a motion by R. Neth and seconded by P. Scully that the **Downtown Development Budget** be accepted as presented in the amount of \$152,800.

Naugatuck Economic Development Corporation

VOTED: Unanimously on a motion by R. Neth and seconded by P. Scully that the **Naugatuck Economic Development Corporation Budget** be accepted as presented in the amount of \$94,050.

Vacant Building Maintenance

VOTED: Unanimously on a motion by R. Neth and seconded by P. Scully that the **Vacant Building Maintenance Budget** be accepted as presented in the amount of \$8,000.

Land Use

VOTED: Unanimously on a motion by R. Neth and seconded by P. Scully that the **Land Use Budget** be accepted as presented in the amount of \$117,105.

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Legal Department

VOTED: Unanimously on a motion by R. Neth and seconded by P. Scully that the **Legal Department Budget** be accepted as presented in the amount of \$288,000.

Estimated Wage Increases

Motion by R. Neth and seconded by P. Scully that the **Estimated Wage Increases Budget** be accepted as presented in the amount of \$320,057.

L. Jackson and D. Sheridan opposed.

Motion rescinded.

Motion by R. Neth and seconded by P. Scully that the **Estimated Wage Increases Budget** be accepted with specified changes (increase \$16,398 nonunion salaries) in the amount of \$336,455.

K. Kiernan, D. Sheridan and D. Wisniewski opposed.

Human Resources

VOTED: Unanimously on a motion by R. Neth and seconded by P. Scully that the **Human Resources Budget** be accepted as presented in the amount of \$105,192.

PUBLIC SAFETY:

Police Department

Motion by R. Neth and seconded by P. Scully that the **Police Department Budget** be accepted as presented in the amount of \$7,166,254.

C. Herb, K. Kiernan, R. Neth and S. Stirk opposed.

D. Wisniewski left 8:11 p.m.

Fire Department

Motion by R. Neth and seconded by P. Scully that the **Fire Department Budget** be accepted as presented in the amount of \$4,654,647.

K. Kiernan and R. Neth opposed.

EMS/Ambulance

VOTED: Unanimously on a motion by R. Neth and seconded by P. Scully that the **EMS/Ambulance Budget** be accepted as presented in the amount of \$0.

Office of Emergency Management/Local Emergency Planning Committee (NEMAC)

VOTED: Unanimously on a motion by R. Neth and seconded by P. Scully that the **Office of Emergency Management/Local Emergency Planning Committee (NEMAC) Budget** be accepted as presented in the amount of \$20,250.

Eastside Fire Station

VOTED: Unanimously on a motion by R. Neth and seconded by P. Scully that the **Eastside Fire Station Budget** be accepted as presented in the amount of \$14,750.

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Safety Patrol

VOTED: Unanimously on a motion by R. Neth and seconded by P. Scully that the **Safety Patrol Budget** be accepted as presented in the amount of \$1,688.

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 \$500.

HEALTH AND WELFARE:

Social Services

VOTED: Unanimously on a motion by R. Neth and seconded by P. Scully that the **Social Services Budget** be accepted as presented in the amount of \$30,000.

Youth Services

VOTED: Unanimously on a motion by R. Neth and seconded by P. Scully that the **Youth Services Budget** be accepted as presented in the amount of \$71,080.

Visiting Nurses Association

VOTED: Unanimously on a motion by R. Neth and seconded by P. Scully that the **Visiting Nurses Association Budget** be accepted as presented in the amount of \$0.

Water Pollution Control Authority

Motion by R. Neth and seconded by P. Scully that the **Water Pollution Control Authority Budget** be accepted as presented in the amount of \$6,823,585.

Motion unanimously opposed.

VOTED: Unanimously on a motion by R. Neth and seconded by P. Scully that the **Water Pollution Control Authority Budget** be accepted with specified changes (increase \$71,129 insurance) in the amount of \$6,884,714.

Senior Center

VOTED: Unanimously on a motion by R. Neth and seconded by P. Scully that the **Senior Center Budget** be accepted as presented in the amount of \$82,782.

PUBLIC WORKS:

Department of Public Works Operations and Maintenance

Motion by R. Neth and seconded by P. Scully that the **Department of Public Works Operations and Maintenance Budget** be accepted as presented in the amount of \$4,941,292.

K. Kiernan and D. Scinto opposed.

Engineering Department

Motion by R. Neth and seconded by P. Scully that the **Engineering Department Budget** be accepted as presented in the amount of \$309,157.

K. Kiernan opposed.

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DEBT SERVICE:

Debt Service

VOTED: Unanimously on a motion by R. Neth and seconded by P. Scully that the **Debt Service Budget** be accepted as presented in the amount of \$6,631,934.

For the record:

Mayor Hess: “If I had to summarize where we are, I think the interest on the bond number for the incinerators will go up some. As far as future expenses for phosphorus, they are trending down but that will be in the next six years’ budgets. We’re making progress in a lot of areas but there are many, many moving parts. I don’t want anyone to say ‘*Well, you said bond interest was going to be x*’. If we can spend a little more over here and save a lot more over here, things are changing and they’re changing every time we meet.”

PENSIONS:

Pensions

VOTED: Unanimously on a motion by R. Neth and seconded by P. Scully that the **Pensions Budget** be accepted as presented in the amount of \$8,974,732.

NON-DEPARTMENTAL:

Insurance

VOTED: Unanimously on a motion by R. Neth and seconded by P. Scully that the **Insurance Budget** be accepted as presented in the amount of \$10,459,961.

Community Services

Motion by R. Neth and seconded by P. Scully that the **Community Services Budget** be accepted as presented in the amount of \$1,212,949.

R. Neth, D. Scinto and S. Stirk in favor.

Motion by D. Sheridan and seconded by Mayor Hess that the **Community Services Budget** be accepted with specified changes (increase \$9,127 library) in the amount of \$1,222,166.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

FOR

N. Warren Hess R. Burns
R. Neth K. Donovan
K. Kiernan C. Herb
A. Lopez D. Hoff
D. Sheridan L. Jackson
R. Burke P. Scully

OPPOSE

D. Scinto
A. Bottinick
A. Pistarelli
J. Savarese
S. Stirk
R. Vitale

ABSTAIN

None

Motion carried 12-6-0

K. Kiernan left 9:00 p.m.

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General

VOTED: Unanimously on a motion by R. Neth and seconded by P. Scully that the **General Budget** be accepted as presented in the amount of \$1,317,204.

Reserve Fund

Motion by R. Neth and seconded by P. Scully that the **Reserve Fund Budget** be accepted as presented in the amount of \$1,674,772.

Motion unanimously opposed.

VOTED: Unanimously on a motion by R. Neth and seconded by P. Scully that the **Reserve Fund Budget** be accepted with specified changes (decrease \$24,000 East Side Fire Station roof) in the amount of \$1,650,772.

Contingency

Motion by R. Neth and seconded by P. Scully that the **Contingency Budget** be accepted as presented in the amount of \$500,000.

R. Neth opposed.

R. Burke left 9:30 p.m.

Revenues

VOTED: Unanimously on a motion by R. Neth and seconded by P. Scully that the **Revenues Budget** be accepted as presented in the amount of \$119,981,083.

5. **VOTED:** Unanimously on a motion by R. Neth and seconded by K. Donovan that the Joint Boards meeting be adjourned at **9:47 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

cc: R. Butler/D. Porciello/File