

**Town of Columbia**  
**Regular Meeting Meetings**  
**Financial Planning and Allocation Commission**  
Wednesday, August 18, 2010 - 7:30 pm  
Adella G. Urban Administrative Offices Conference Room  
323 Route 87, Columbia, CT. 06237

1. **Call to Order:** Chairman Ernest Sharpe called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm with the following members of FiPAC present: Vice-Chairperson Cindy Harrison; Scott Petrequin; and Judy Szegda-Ortiz. Town Administrator Jonathan Luiz was present, along with others.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance:** The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
3. **Approval of Minutes**
  - 3.1 **FiPAC Meeting Minutes of July 21, 2010:** C. Harrison MOVED to approve the minutes as presented. J. Szegda Ortiz SECONDED the motion. The MOTION CARRIED 4:0.
4. **Correspondence**
  - 4.1 BOS Regular Meeting Minutes of July 20, 2010
  - 4.2 BOS Regular Meeting Minutes of August 3, 2010
  - 4.3 BOS Special Meeting Minutes of August 5, 2010
  - 4.4 BOE Regular Meeting Minutes of June 7, 2010
  - 4.5 BOE Regular Meeting Minutes of June 21, 2010
  - 4.6 BOE Regular Meeting Minutes of July 19, 2010
  - 4.7 Fiscal Policy Regular Meeting Minutes of July 14, 2010

J. Szegda-Ortiz inquired about the concept of “interest-based bargaining.” J. Luiz and E. Sharpe shared their own understanding of the concept. J. Szegda-Ortiz asked whether the Town had asked the Historical Society to contribute towards the unanticipated costs of the Dartmouth School. J. Luiz said that the Town had not asked for more money, but that he would bring the issue to First Selectman Carmen Vance.

5. **Old Business**
  - 5.1 **Current Year Financials:** E. Sharpe asked J. Luiz if the previously submitted financial projections for Fiscal Year 2009-2010 need updating. J. Luiz said that the projections would be updated and provided at the next FiPAC meeting since a few significant transactions still need to be posted to the Fiscal Year 2009-2010 budget. E. Sharpe asked J. Luiz to make sure that the BOE projections are correct with respect to regular tuition surpluses and special education tuition surpluses. J. Luiz will provide updated BOE figures to FiPAC at its next meeting.

**6. New Business**

**6.1 Transfers:** J. Ortiz MOVED to approve the following BOS Operating Budget transfers:

<b>FISCAL YEAR</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>	<b>FROM</b>	<b>TO</b>	<b>EXPLANATION</b>
09-10	720.59	Contingency	10-4530-010, Building, Salaries	Salary for Building Official
09-10	1,391.97	Contingency	10-4260-010, Sr. Center, Salaries	Severance payout for Sr. Center Director
09-10	298.72	Contingency	10-4134-010, Public Records, Salaries	Severance payout for Assistant Town Clerk
10-11	400.00	Contingency	10-4132-500, Assessment, Prof/Tech	Mapping upgrade charges more than expected.

S. Petrequin SECONDED the motion. The MOTION CARRIED 4:0.

J. Ortiz MOVED to approve the following BOS Operating Budget transfers:

<b>FISCAL YEAR</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>	<b>FROM</b>	<b>TO</b>	<b>EXPLANATION</b>
10-11	2,000	10-4420-500, Transfer Station, Prof/Tech	10-4420-110, Transfer Station, Postage	Waste disposal information mailers sent to residents

E. Sharpe SECONDED the motion. The MOTION CARRIED 4:0.

J. Ortiz MOVED to approve the following BOS Operating Budget transfers:

<b>FISCAL YEAR</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>	<b>FROM</b>	<b>TO</b>	<b>EXPLANATION</b>
09-10	895.21	10-4500-900, Contingency	10-4412-050, Pension	Pension cost for newly-vested employee

S. Petrequin SECONDED the motion. The MOTION CARRIED 4:0.

**6.2 General Discussion of monitoring transfers:** J. Luiz distributed spreadsheets prepared by the Finance Department that track the transfers completed in Fiscal Year 2009-2010 and Fiscal Year 2010-2011. J. Luiz will provide updated handouts in future FiPAC meeting packets.

7. **Correspondence**  
7.1 Letter from Troy and Banks to J. Luiz dated 7/22/10
8. **Audience of Citizens**
9. **Next Meeting**
10. **Adjournment:** E. Sharpe MOTIONED to adjourn. J. Szegda-Ortiz SECONDED the motion. The MOTION CARRIED 4:0. The meeting adjourned at 8:19 pm.

Meeting minutes respectfully submitted by J. Luiz.