

Town of Columbia
Financial Planning and Allocation Commission
Regular Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, October 16, 2013 - 7:00 pm.
Adella G. Urban Administrative Offices Conference Room
323 Route 87, Columbia, CT. 06237

Members Present: Chairman Earnest Sharpe; Judy Ortiz; Nancy Hammarstrom; Steven Everett; Jeff Viens.

Also Present: First Selectman Carmen Vance; Town Administrator Jonathan Luiz.

1. **Call to Order:** E. Sharpe called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance:** The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
3. **Approval of Minutes:**
 - 3.1 **Approval of FiPAC September 18, 2013 Regular Meeting Minutes J.** Ortiz MOVED to approve the FiPAC regular meeting minutes of September 18, 2013. J. Viens SECONDED the MOTION and it CARRIED 5:0.
4. **Correspondence**
 - 4.1 **BOS Regular Meeting Minutes of 9/17/13**
 - 4.2 **BOS Special Meeting Minutes of 9/30/13**
 - 4.3 **BOE Regular Meeting Minutes of 9/3/13**
 - 4.4 **BOE Regular Meeting Motions of 10/7/13**
 - 4.5 **Fiscal Policy Meeting Minutes of 9/11/13**
5. **Old Business**
 - 5.1 **MBR update:** J. Luiz stated that the town received a letter from State explaining that if Columbia supplied supplemental budget appropriation then the town would not be penalized. J. Luiz explained that he sent a copy of the Town Meeting Minutes to the state showing that the town supplied the budget appropriation to the BOE. The State confirmed receipt of these minutes therefore the town should not be penalized.
 - 5.2 **Current Year Budget:** J. Luiz discussed this with the Commission.
6. **New Business**
 - 6.1 **Transfers:** None.
 - 6.2 **School Security Update:** J. Luiz stated that details are still being finalized. He believes the total for new doors and windows will be less than \$400,000. Discussion ensued.
 - 6.3 **Teacher Contract Negotiations:** E. Sharpe stated that he, J. Viens and N. Hammarstrom attended the teacher contract negotiations. Discussion followed. N. Hammarstrom will attend future negotiation sessions as an observer.
 - 6.4 **General Discussion – Financial Overview:** J. Luiz stated that the audit will begin soon.

7. **Next Meeting:** The next regular FiPAC meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, November 20, 2013 at 7:00 pm.
8. **Adjournment:** J. Ortiz MOVED to adjourn at 8:12 pm. and the MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Respectfully Submitted by Kimberly A. Bona