

TOWN OF COLUMBIA
FINANCIAL PLANNING AND ALLOCATION COMMISSION
Special Meeting
Tuesday, May 14, 2019
Immediately Following Annual Town Meeting
Yeomans Hall
323 Route 87, Columbia, CT

Members Present: Chairman Earnest Sharpe; Judy Ortiz, Kelley Peck; Todd Shepard; Dean Toepfer; Richard Szegda.

Members Absent: Mike Patel.

Also Present: Town Administrator, Mark Walter; Finance Director Bev Ciurylo.

CALL TO ORDER: E. Sharpe called the meeting to order at 7:21 pm.

1. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** The Pledge of Allegiance was already recited.
2. **NEW BUSINESS:**
 - 2.1 **Modification of the Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Town Budget as FiPAC deemed necessary for the purpose of presenting a revised budget at an Annual Budget meeting scheduled for May 21, 2019 at 7:00pm in Yeomans Hall.** This item was not addressed because the budget passed at the Annual Budget meeting.
 - 2.2 **Setting of Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Tax Rate and setting of the date taxes shall be due and payable.** E. Sharpe MOVED to set the mill rate for FY 19-20 at 29.33 and to establish the first installment of taxes for FY 19-20 to be due and payable on July 1, 2019 and the second installment of taxes for FY 19-20 to be due and payable on January 1, 2020. R. Szegda SECONDED the MOTION and it CARRIED 6:0.
3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**
 - 3.1 **FiPAC Public Hearing Meeting Minutes of 04/24/19.** T. Shepard MOVED to Approve the 4/24/19 Public Hearing and Special Meeting Minutes. E. Sharpe SECONDED the MOTION and it CARRIED 5:0:1 with Dean Toepfer abstaining.
4. **CORRESPONDENCE:**
 - 4.1 **BOS Meeting Minutes for 4/2/19, 4/16/19 & 5/7/19.** J. Ortiz asked about the waiver for the bids on the roof of the Town Hall in the April 2nd BOS meeting. M. Walter explained that we are using CRCOG's competitive bid process and the program designs, implements and maintains a job order contracting program on behalf of the CRCOG membership. He explained that we received 2 bids and we went with the lowest bid. He explained that the company we contracted with has done work with the Town before and we have been very pleased with their work. Rockfall Company was the lowest bidder. R. Szegda asked about an update on the teacher's pension and referred to a recent article in the chronicle about the

teachers' pension. M. Walter explained that CCM is adamant that the towns and cities should be at the negotiating table with the teacher's union if the towns and cities are funding the pensions from town property tax. D. Toepfer stated that we have had three people who have served and loved this town pass away; Lynn Robertson and Ed Gallagher and Cindee Hodge.

4.2 BOE Minutes 3/6/19.

5. TRANSFERS R. Szegda **MOVED** to Approve the following Transfers as Presented.

TRANSFER # / AMOUNT	FROM A/C #, DESCRIPTION	TO A/C#, DESCRIPTION
2019-034 / \$600.00	10-4260-230 / Electricity	10-4260-240 / Fuel
2019-035 / \$7,142.00	10-4112-040 / Group Insurance	10-4112-022 / Unemployment Comp
2019-036 / \$6,205.00	10-4800-900 / Contingency	10-4410-610 / Bldgs/Grounds Rep/Maint
2019-037 / \$13,850.00	10-4800-900 / Contingency	10-4113-500 / Prof/Tech

J. Ortiz **SECONDED** and the **MOTION CARRIED 6:0.**

- 6. NEXT MEETING:** E. Sharpe **MOVED** to cancel the May 15, 2019 meeting. K. Peck **SECONDED** the **MOTION. 6:0.** Next meeting is Wednesday, June 19, 2019. K. Peck stated that she appreciates the effort of M. Walter, B. Ciurylo, the BOS and BOE for their hard work in putting together the budget. R. Szegda thanked E. Sharpe for his leadership.
- 7. ADJOURNMENT:** T. Shepard **MOVED** to **ADJOURN** the meeting at 7:45 pm. R. Szegda **SECONDED** the **MOTION** and it passed **UNANIMOUSLY.**

Respectfully Submitted by Jennifer C. LaVoie