MINUTES BOARD OF FINANCE June 20, 2017

A REGULAR MEETING of the Board of Finance was held in the City Hall Auditorium on Tuesday, June 20, 2017.

Present were Mayor Elinor Carbone and Board of Finance Members Mark Bushka, Laurene Pesce, JoAnn Fenty, Joshua Ferreira, Christopher Anderson and Frank Rubino. Board of Education Director of Facilities David Bascetta and Comptroller Alice Proulx were also present.

Mayor Carbone called the meeting to order at 5:02 p.m. starting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

MINUTES

On a motion by Mr. Anderson, seconded by Mrs. Fenty, the Board voted unanimously to accept the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on April 18, 2017. Mr. Bushka abstained.

On a motion by Mr. Ferreira, seconded by Mr. Bushka, the Board voted unanimously to accept the minutes of the Special Joint Meeting held on April 24, 2017 with the Board of Education. Mrs. Pesce abstained.

On a motion by Mr. Anderson, seconded by Mr. Rubino, the Board voted unanimously to accept the minutes of the Special Joint Meeting held on May 1, 2017 with City Council.

On a motion by Mr. Bushka, seconded by Mrs. Pesce, the Board voted unanimously to accept the minutes of the Special Joint Meeting held on May 15, 2017 with City Council and the Board of Public Safety. Mrs. Fenty abstained.

On a motion by Mr. Anderson, seconded by Mr. Rubino, the Board voted unanimously to accept the minutes of the Special Joint Meeting held on June 12, 2017 with City Council.

OPEN TO PUBLIC

On a motion by Mr. Ferreira, seconded by Mrs. Pesce, the Board voted unanimously to open the meeting to the public. There was no one present who wished to speak.

BRD. OF EDUCATION BUDGET TRANSFERS

On a motion by Mr. Bushka, seconded by Mr. Anderson, the Board voted unanimously to authorize the Budget Transfers listed in Superintendent Clemons letter dated June 8, 2017.

Mr. Bascetta explained that the grant funding for the THS Accessible Elevator Project and THS ADA Compliance Phase II Project has been approved. The Torringford Solar Project has only recently been submitted, he said. Mr. Bascetta noted that the original scope of the Phase II Project was strictly for ADA Compliance at the High School. When some code violations were brought to light, the State informed the architect that change orders will be allowed to address them, or else the project would have to go back out to bid as a separate project.

Mayor Carbone asked if there is a risk of not qualifying for reimbursement and Mr. Bascetta said he will clarify the difference between maintenance improvements and code violations to avoid any risk.

Mr. Bascetta said the monies have been expended for the softball fields, but not for the doorframes and window frames at Vogel Wetmore school.

Mrs. Pesce clarified that any remaining balance is restricted to use as capital funding only.

Mr. Rubino requested a report showing the financial status of capital account projects, covering the last few years.

TABLED: BRD. OF EDUCATION FINANCIAL REPORT

On a motion by Mr. Anderson, seconded by Mr. Bushka, the Board voted unanimously to table acceptance the Board of Education financial report, as no report was provided.

DISCUSSION: Rate Bill Format

Mayor Carbone explained that the Tax Collector has requested a revision to the Rate Bill format, having the Mayor sign it rather than the Board of Finance. Board members declined the option to add this matter to the agenda, saying they would prefer more information.

BUSINESS: Mayor and Members

On a motion by Mr. Anderson, seconded by Mr. Ferreira, the Board voted unanimously to consider business presented by the Mayor and members of the Board of Finance.

<u>Mrs. Pesce</u> expressed her concern that Board of Education Capital Funds weren't as protected in this year's budget process as they have been in the past.

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Mr. Anderson, seconded by Mr. Ferreira, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn at 5:40 p.m.

ATTEST: JOSEPH L. QUARTIERO, CMC CITY CLERK

Carol L. Anderson, MCTC, MMC Asst. City Clerk