

**TOWN OF BARKHAMSTED  
BOARD OF FINANCE  
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING  
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2018**

The meeting was called to order at 7:16 PM. Members present were David Moulton, John Doyle, Steve Egbertson, Sal Tartaglione, and alternate George Walsh. Also present was First Selectman Donald Stein, School Superintendent Jim Agostine, Board of Education members Jen Prelli-Hester, Chair, Tom Brodnitzki, Negotiating Committee Chair, and Donna Farr.

**Motion to elect Temporary Chair:**

Motion by Sal Tartaglione to elect Dave Moulton as Temporary Chair. Seconded by Steve Egbertson and passed unanimously.

**Motion to Seat:**

Motion by Sal Tartaglione to seat George Walsh for Matt Kelly. Seconded by John Doyle and passed unanimously.

**Review of FY 2018/2019 General Government budget expenditures and General Fund through August 31, 2018:**

Reviewed with Selectman Stein. No issues were raised.

**Update on Board of Education:**

By statute, the BOE must meet with the BOF before they start negotiating with the unions. They have contracted council (Attorney Christopher Sugar), who will represent them for the negotiations. The superintendent believes that many of the previously onerous benefits have been eliminated. Steve Egbertson and Dave Moulton expressed an interest in representing the BOF at the negotiation sessions.

John Doyle reminded the BOE that there was a prior BOF resolution requesting that they present plans related to declining student population and how to either decrease or manage the budget to reflect that change. He also stated that the State budget deficit (over \$2 billion) will affect the FY'20 budget and probably State aid for that budget.

Dave Moulton stated that the BOF intends to continue the past practice of requesting that budgets reflect known Special Ed costs and that if unplanned for costs occur due to new students entering the school, that they would provide additional funding if required.

**Approval of Minutes:**

Steve Egbertson made a motion to approve the Minutes of the August 21, 2018 Regular Meeting. Seconded by John Doyle. Yeas - all present. Sal Tartaglione abstaining. Motion passed.

**Correspondence:**

No correspondence was received.

Steve Egbertson made a motion to adjourn at 7:47 PM. Seconded by George Walsh and the motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted \_\_\_\_\_

Matthew Kelly  
Secretary

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