



MINUTES of the Special Meeting of the Board of Estimate and Taxation held on Monday, September 8, 2008 in the Town Hall Meeting Room, Greenwich, CT.

Chairman Stephen Walko called the meeting to order at 6:05 P.M., after which the members pledged allegiance to the flag.

Board members in attendance:

Stephen G. Walko, Chairman
Robert S. Stone, Vice Chairman
Leslie L. Tarkington, Clerk
Nancy E. Barton
James S. Campbell
William R. Finger
William G. Kelly
Edward T. Krumeich, Jr.
Michael S. Mason
Arthur D. Norton
Jeffrey S. Ramer
Laurence B. Simon

Ex-Officio Board Members: Peter Tesei, First Selectman; Peter Crumbine, Selectman; Lin Lavery, Selectman

Staff: Peter Mynarski, Comptroller; John Crary, Town Administrator; Betty Sternberg, Superintendent, Board of Education

Other: Frank Mazza, Chairman, Thomas Heagney, Hamilton Avenue School Building Committee; Nancy Weissler, Chairman, Board of Education

NON ROUTINE APPLICATION:

ED-3 Board of Education- Release of Condition - \$500,000

Release of Condition:

\$ 500,000 to Z-68017952-59550-25110 Hamilton Avenue School Bldg Com

\$500,000 from Capital non-recurring

ED-4 Board of Education- Interim Appropriation- \$200,000

Interim Appropriation:

\$200,000 to Z-68017952-59550-25110 Hamilton Avenue School Bldg Com

\$200,000 from

Capital non-recurring

Upon a motion by Mr. Stone, the Board agreed to consolidate the items for the purpose of discussion.

Mr. Mazza presented the costs proposed to bring the Hamilton Avenue School project to completion. He also gave an overview of the difficulties the Building Committee has been experiencing. Mr. Crary gave an update of the project, stating that many of the things that need to be done are not required for the TCO. Mr. Walko stated that the Building Committee would be meeting every Tuesday morning until the project is completed. Mr. Heagney stated that the Letter of Understanding condition was not met by the contractor on August 15. He said that, it is the sense of the Building Committee that with the approval of the two applications that there would be sufficient funds both to complete the construction and also for unforeseeable items.

A discussion followed concerning items in the cost summary. Ms. Weissler stated that the Board of Education supports the requests. Dr. Sternberg explained that after the building is turned over to the BOE, environmental testing must be done before the children can be moved in. In response to Ms. Barton, Mr. Walko stated that the Town Attorney assured him that the Town is fully protected when disbursing the requested funds. Mr. Mason, as well as Mr. Walko, stated that these interim appropriations will impact the capital budget this year and moving forward, and cautioned that money will be tighter.

Upon a motion by Ms. Tarkington, seconded by Mr. Mason, the Board voted 12-0-0 to approve ED – 3 the release of condition for \$500,000.

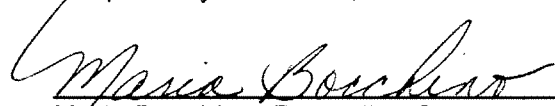
Upon a motion by Mr. Ramer to amend ED – 4, the interim appropriation for \$200,000, to make \$125,000 subject to release, the motion failed for a lack of a second.

Upon a motion by Ms. Tarkington, seconded by Mr. Mason, the Board voted 12-0-0 to approve ED – 4 the interim appropriation for \$200,000.

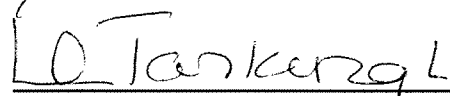
ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Board, upon a motion by Mr. Kelly, seconded by Mr. Ramer, the Board voted to adjourn the meeting at 7:06 P.M.


Respectfully submitted,



Maria Bocchino, Recording Secretary



Leslie L. Tarkington, Clerk of the Board



Stephen G. Walko, Chairman