



**BROOKFIELD BOARD OF FINANCE  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 8, 2015 7:00pm  
BROOKFIELD TOWN HALL, ROOM 209**

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**CALL TO ORDER:** Chairman P. Kurtz called the meeting to order at 7:00pm; beginning with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Present for the Board:** Chairman P. Kurtz, Vice Chairman E. Nepomuceno (via telephone conference call), Secretary R. Gianazza, S. O' Reilly, J. Rossi, Dr. R. Appleby, Ex-Officio First Selectman B. Tinsley, Town Controller W. Leverage

**Also Present:** Members of the Public

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

■ Betsy McIlvane, 127 Long Meadow Hill Road

■ Matt Grimes, 11 Orchard Street

A motion was made by S. O'Reilly, seconded by J. Rossi, to move New Business, "Budget", ahead of Approval of Minutes. Secretary R. Gianazza amended the motion to discuss 2015-2016 Town Budget Agenda Item first. All were in favor.

**NEW BUSINESS**

A motion was made by Chairman P. Kurtz, seconded by S. O'Reilly, to add \$150,000 back to cash to capital roads. The bond capital will be left as is and to fund the \$150,000 back to cash to capital out of the Public Dept Item 174, Line Item 5801 Bond Principle. Motion passed 6-0.

A motion was made by Vice Chairman E. Nepomuceno, seconded by S. O'Reilly, to accept all changes relative to cash to capital and short term financing and that ¼ of the short term financing will be put into the cash to capital line item. Motion passed 6-0.

A motion was made by Dr. R. Appleby, seconded by S. O'Reilly, to increase the CLA budget by \$10,000 to \$84,636 and to fund it by reducing cash to capital. Motion passed 5-1.

**Members Voting Yes**

Chairman P. Kurtz

Vice Chairman E. Nepomuceno

Secretary R. Gianazza

S. O'Reilly

Dr. R. Appleby

**Members Voting No**

J. Rossi

A motion was made by Secretary R. Gianazza, seconded by S. O'Reilly, to accept the cash to capital in the amount of \$1,288,600. Motion passed 6-0.

●**2015-2016 Town Budget Discussion – Post BOF Public Hearing** After much discussion, a motion was made by Vice Chairman E. Nepomuceno, seconded by Dr. R. Appleby, to put forth for the Town Meeting a Municipal Budget in the amount of \$21,658,688 and a Education Budget in the amount of \$39,522,766 for a Total Town Proposed Budget of \$61,181,454. Motion passed 5-1.

**Members Voting Yes**

Chairman P. Kurtz  
Vice Chairman E. Nepomuceno  
Secretary R. Gianazza  
S. O'Reilly  
Dr. R. Appleby

**Members Voting No**

J. Rossi

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A motion was made by Secretary R. Gianazza, seconded by J. Rossi, to approve the March 10, March 12, March 17, March 18, March 19, 2015 Board of Finance Special Meeting Minutes, and the March 11, 2015 Board of Finance Regular Meeting Minutes as written. Motion passed 6-0.

**COMMUNICATIONS AND CORRESPONDENCE**

Email correspondence was received from the following:

- Irv Agard
- Bill Brown
- Meredith O'Connor
- Jean Hartnett
- Howard Lasser
- Catherine Malek
- Glenn Rooney
- Catherine Klar
- Dawn DeCosta
- Jerry Friedrich
- David & Erin Sweet
- Rich Saluga
- Michael Matson
- Eric Sullender

**REPORT OF THE FIRST SELECTMAN**

- IRS Tax Penalty (– motion and voting under New Business)
- First Light and CLA Status

A motion was made by Chairman P. Kurtz, seconded by Dr. R. Appleby, to move the two motions that are currently listed under, Report of the Finance Director; Patrol Commander's Car and OPEB Policy Revision to under New Business. Motion passed 6-0.

**REPORT OF THE FINANCE DIRECTOR:** Town Controller W. Leverage gave the Board an overview of the March 2015 Revenue & Expenditure Report.

**NEW BUSINESS (continued):**

●**Patrol Commander's Car** – A motion was made by Secretary R. Gianazza, seconded by Vice Chairman E. Nepomuceno, that the Board of Finance appropriate up to \$8,000 from the Police Department Outside Services Fund, to augment, the already authorized capital purchase, a third Police Vehicle for this fiscal year, to be used by the Patrol Commander. Motion passed 6-0.

● **Motion to approve OPEB Policy Revision** – A motion was made by Secretary R. Gianazza, seconded by S. O'Reilly, that the Board of Finance approve the OPEB Policy Revision. Motion passed 6-0.

● **IRS VCAP Agreements** – A motion was made by Secretary R. Gianazza, seconded by J. Rossi, that the Board of Finance appropriate \$289,000 from the Fund 41 (Water Projects Fund) in connection with the IRS VCAP Agreements. Motion passed 6-0.

**OLD BUSINESS:** None

**OTHER ITEMS TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD:** None

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

■ Irv Agard, 3 Cedar Hill Road

**ADJOURNMENT:** A motion was made by Secretary R. Gianazza, seconded by J. Rossi, to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed 6-0. Meeting was adjourned at 9:20pm.