

# February 27, 2012

*The following minutes of the Board of Finance are submitted subject to approval at the next Board of Finance meeting\*\*.*

**Present:**

Members: Jack Boyer, Michael Jackson, Rex Swain

Alternates: Liddy Adams, Arthur DuBois

Selectmen: Tony Bedini, Richard Carey Tax Collector: Tanya Wescott

Treasurer: Linda McGarr

Board of Finance Chairman Michael Jackson called the meeting to order at 5:06 p.m. Arthur DuBois and Liddy Adams were seated as regular members for the meeting in the absence of Craig Schoon and Barbra Brown.

**Tax Collector:**

Tanya Wescott reported she has collected 95.99% of the taxes due for the Grand List of 2011 as of 2/27/12, as well as the two prior years (Grand List of 2009 - 98.54% and Grand List of 2010 - 98.33%). She noted six taxpayers remain on her Collection of Past Due Taxes for the 2009 Grand List and she is working with them. The Board noted their appreciation of Tanya's continued efforts on behalf of the Town.

**Treasurer:**

Linda McGarr updated the Board on the Treasurer's accounts as of 1/31/12. She will review information on increasing short-term investment rates, noting that the Town can only invest in municipal bonds and certain CD's. She will confer with the Board of Selectmen regarding the payment of further legal litigation funds.

**Education:**

Tony Bedini reported on repairs required at the three elementary school. Priority will be to correct minor damages estimated at \$40,900 for the Roxbury building, \$27,150 for the Bridgewater building and \$51,350 for the Washington building. An additional \$201,000 is currently funded for the WPS flat roof repairs. At the middle high school building, \$50,000 is needed for a new air conditioning unit. \$317,500 is currently in the Region's Reserve Fund. An audit of the high school facility will begin soon. Tony has conferred with SLAM Collaboratives, who are providing good insight into long-range plans. He also noted funding for a second-hand replacement truck had been approved.

The first review for the candidates for Superintendent of Schools has been posted. The Board of Education will choose the final candidates. Once a new Superintendent is chosen, it was suggested a long-range plan for the Town should be reviewed

**\*\*Change of Meeting Date:**

It was agreed to amend the date for the April Board of Finance meeting from April 16th to April 23rd at 5 p.m.

**Audit:**

Jack Boyer made a motion to accept the audit for the 2010-2011 fiscal year. Ted Bent seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Kathy Gollow, Secretary