Members Present: Jim Cretella, Richard Demko, Kristyn Hanewicz, Beverly Kennedy, Heather McDaniel, Bill Sawicki, John Stelma; Kwame Dunbar (alternate)

Members Absent: Gary Popielasz (alternate)

Others Present: Doug Thomas, Kurt Miller, Mary McNelis, Michael Wilson

Item #1 - Call Meeting to order
Chairman Bill Sawicki called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

Item #2 - Pledge of Allegiance
Everyone saluted the Flag and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Item #3 - Public Comment
None

Item #4 - Deliberation & Discussion of 2018/2019 Budget
Discussion of the 2018/2019 budget:

- **Community Services**
  - The $4,800 for on-line registration is included in the budget. This is for the software used for the on-line registrations, payments and to print reports – this is an annual subscription.
  - The Revenues for the trips were split in two lines – 16,000 and 34,000; the expense line is one line for 50,000.
  - We can go with the 80,000 for “Regular Employees” because there is an extra 5,000 for “Community Services Labor” in the Contingency Section.

- **Board of Education**
  - 34,176,990 is the new number including the 17.4% increase in Cigna. This is including a resignation of assistant principal (the new one will come in at a lower rate). Then there was a part-time to full time music teacher, and part-time to full-time guidance, special ed, or science teacher.
  - 34,023,838 is the First Selectman’s new number. This includes an 8% increase from Cigna. 43,000 of the increase was picked up by the town.
  - The difference between the two is 153,152.
  - The most important is the science, guidance, and special ed positions.
  - We move over 43,000 from the Mill Rate Stabilization Fund to the Board of Ed. 2,000 left.
  - We can also move the 114,308 for the projected teachers’ pension to the Board of Ed. (Leave $1 in the line item).
• ADJUSTMENTS TO THE BUDGET:
  o We will need to put a certain % of the surplus to the OPEB trust.
  o Take the 300,000 out of Use of Fund Balance. Put back in the Revenues.
  o Need to make sure that the paperwork is in for this. PLEASE PUT ON THE APRIL AGENDA “STATUS of SCHOOL CLAIM FORM” and ON FUTURE MONTHS UNTIL THIS IS RESOLVED.
  o Take out 50,000 for the police car in their budget. We can check tomorrow (the chief will be at the meeting for the transfer) that the 110 line is projected to be about 300,000. Projection 110 vs. Projection overtime.
  o DOUG: please check how much the seizure funds are and that they can be used for police department equipment. Can we use this for the cars?
  o Public Works – Cut 10,000 for Trees and Cut 5,000 for Seasonal Employees. Leave the 18,000 for garage rental.
  o Parks – cut out the 7,900 from the line items. Make Repairs & Maintenance 45,000; Seasonal Supplies 5,600; General Supplies 3,410.
  o Town Contributions – Recreation – remove the 2,800 for Boy Scouts line item; make the Housatonic BSA line item 3,750.
  o Revenues – make the tax collection rate 98.6%; add 5,000 to “Prior Year Property Tax”; 5,000 to “Supplemental Car Tax”; make the “Real Estate Conveyance” 128,500; 5,000 to “Police Admin Fees”
  o Make the surplus 125,000
  o Mill Rate is at 36 right now.

The Public Budget Hearing will be set for Thursday, April 4th, 2019 @ 7pm @ the Community Center.

Item #5– Adjournment
Meeting was adjourned at 8:40pm.

Submitted by:

Monica Dimon
Recording Secretary