Town of Plymouth

Board of Finance

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 Call Meeting to Order – The Special Meeting of the Town of Plymouth Board of Finance was called to order on Thursday, April 28, 2011 in the Mayor's Conference Room at 7:01 p.m. by Chairman Ralph Zovich. Members in attendance: Pat Budnick, Vicky Carey, Peter Cook, Mike Drozdick, Dan Murray and Ralph Zovich. Also present: Robin Gudeczauskas, Recording Secretary.

- 2. Pledge of Allegiance
- 3. Approve Minutes:

a. Mar. 17, 2011
b. Mar. 21, 2011
c. Mar. 24, 2011
d. Mar. 28, 2011
e. Mar. 31, 2011
f. April 4, 2011
g. April 7, 2011
h. April 11, 2011

MOTION: To accept the minutes as listed by Mike Drozdick, second Peter Cook.

Discussion: none. Vote: unanimous.

- 4. Mayor's Report none
- 5. Discuss & take action on the following items in current FY2010-11 General Fund budget:
 - a. Status of delinquent tax collections and updates to Tax Sale List. memo from Ted Scheidel read into record noting 17 individuals have taken bid packages for tax sales; 7 on May 10th; notices on liens sent out on the 26th; as of today collected \$41,000. As of March short \$1,023,000. Perspective buyer on Jasper building that as of January 2011 has \$336,880 due on outstanding taxes, interest and penalty. Property on corner of Armbruster and Bemis is a building lot with \$12,000 due in taxes plus interest and liens; minimum bid on property set at \$30,000. There was a complaint to the Police Commission about that curve and Public Works has cleared out and improved site line by cutting embankment back and cutting trees.
- 6. Discuss & take action on outcome of Budget Referendum for FY2011-12: Discussion held on setting the mill rate and implementation of state budget and modifying our mill rate to make up for any budget shortfall. Section 3b of Chapter7 of the Town Charter read into record by Chairman Zovich and noted the approved voted upon budget has been filed with the Town Clerk; budget numbers reviewed. Dan would not vote on mill rate tonight to have someone tell us what is on table is valid and what our legal option is. Pat would like to wait until next month. Discussion held on setting mill rate tonight, determining what is on the table is valid and what our legal option is, if money is cut from government we may need to go to a town meeting for additional monies, next step is the town says no to additional request.
 - a. Set the mill rate for Fiscal Year 2011-2012.

MOTION: To set the mill rate for fiscal year 2011-2012 at 31.50 mills by Peter Cook; second Vicky Carey. Discussion: Pat Budnick, wait until next month to find out where we stand as there is discussion on replacing Manufacturers Pilot. Vicky Carey, reviewed what was done in the past, never lowered mill rate and this is what we presented to the people which tells tax rate, percentage, mill rate and what was voted

on and what we have to go by and there is a timeline. Dan Murray, regarding setting the mill rate does not remember process and thought is tonight that there is enough confusion that if waited a week or two until we get a better definition of what is required there is no harm. Mike Drozdick agrees with Dan Murray. Peter Cook, will not vote for anything than what we presented to the town. Melanie Church, 328 Main Street, you put it in the paper Ralph and if the state took back extra money it would come out of undesignated fund; and the Charter you have calling as gospel, she has not updated that Charter in 18 months. Chairman Zovich called for a roll call vote: Peter Cook, yes; Pat Budnick, no; Vicky Carey, yes; Dan Muray, no; Mike Drozdick, no. Motion fails 2-3.

MOTION: To Table by Pat Budnick; second Dan Murray. Roll call vote: Vicky Carey, no; Pat Budnick, yes; Peter Cook, no; Mike Drozdick, yes Dan Murray, yes. Motion carries 3-2.

7. Discuss and take action to appoint Blum Shapiro as independent auditor for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2011

MOTION: To appoint Blum Shapiro as independent auditor for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2011 by Dan Murray; second Pat Budnick. Discussion: Chairman Zovich stated records from the meeting said they would have the whole thing complete in October and can ask that Dave will confirm. Dan suggested with requirement specific on beginning, middle and end and no need for meeting with the auditor required in June. Board want the dates Dave is setting in the letter for completed draft report with presentation by auditors at a special meeting on October 6th so we can approve at the October 20th meeting. Vote: unanimous.

- 8. Finance Director's Report none
- 9. Public Input none
- 10. Correspondence
- a. Chairman Zovich reviewed note from Tony Lorenzetti noting there is \$100,000 in this year's town aid to roads and will mill and pave North Street from Plymouth Center School to the dam; work to be done by the highway crew, and if extra millings will do Richmond Drive. Out of \$450,000 allocated, 1/3 crack sealing and patching, 2/3 for paving and overlaying. South Main Street and some minor work on Seymour Road, Lake Avenue, Old Waterbury Road and Keegan Road, piping on Allentown Road.
- 11. Board Member Comments
- 12. Adjournment

MOTION: To adjourn by Dan Murray; second Vicky Carey and the vote unanimous. Meeting adjourned by 8:07 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Robin Gudeczauskas Recording Secretary