

**TOWN OF SOMERS  
BOARD OF FINANCE  
MARCH 28, 2016  
7:00 PM  
LOWER LEVEL CONFERENCE ROOM**

**1. Call To Order**

The meeting was called to order at 6:58 pm by Jim Persano.

**2. Members Present**

In attendance were Jim Persano, Tom Mazzoli, Bill Salka, Michael Parker, Tim Geib, and Joe Tolisano. Also in attendance were First Selectman Lisa Pellegrini, CFO Michael Marinaccio, Superintendent Dr. Maynard Suffredini, and Bill Boutwell.

**3. FY 2017 Budget Discussion, Recommendations, and Decisions**

Mike Marinaccio brought the Board up to date on the status of the budget. The revenue shortfall is \$805,071. The Board went around the table discussing solutions.

Joe Tolisano offered a .5-1 mil increase; Bill Salka 1 mil; Tim Geib .9 mil; Michael Parker .5 mil; Tom Mazzoli .8 mil; Jim Persano .85 mil.

Michael Parker asked for clarification on the \$90,000 increase in capital outlays from the Board of Education. Dr. Suffredini and Bill Boutwell both explained that this is a technology replacement cost. Michael Parker requested a full detail budget from the Town and Board of Education.

Dr. Suffredini informed the Board that he is projecting to return \$180,000 of his current year budget to the General Fund at the end of the year. Michael Marinaccio said that currently the Town is projecting a return around \$200,000.

*Jim Persano moved to decrease the Board of Education budget \$60,000 and a mil rate increase of .85 bringing the new mil rate to 24.22, seconded by Tim Geib.*

Michael Parker felt at this time anything above a half mil was too much of an increase.

*Jim Persano, Tim Geib, Tom Mazzoli, Bill Salka, and Joe Tolisano voted yes, Michael Parker voted no. The motion passed 5-1.*

**4. Budget Flyer, Content Finalization, and Approval**

Jim Persano said to correct the numbers based on the previous motion passing and submit the flyer.

**5. Approval of Minutes**

a. 01/25/16 Regular BOF Meeting Minutes

b. 03/10/16 Special BOF Meeting Minutes

*Michael Parker moved to approve the meeting minutes as presented, seconded by Joe Tolisano. There was no further discussion and a unanimous vote followed.*

**6. Other Business**

There was no other business.

**7. Adjournment**

*Tom Mazzoli moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:51 pm, seconded by Michael Parker. There was no further discussion and a unanimous vote followed.*

Respectfully Submitted,

Brian Wissinger

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