

MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL BUDGET COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY, JULY 14, 2015, AT 7:00 P.M. IN ROOM 207, TOWN HALL, 84 SOUTH MAIN STREET, CHESHIRE CT 06410.

Present

David Schrumm, Chairman; Committee Member Thomas Ruocco and Peter Talbot..
Staff: Michael A. Milone, Town Manager; James Jaskot, Finance Director
Vincent Masciana, BOE, Director of Management Services

1. ROLL CALL

The clerk called the roll and a quorum was determined to be present.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The group Pledged Allegiance to the Flag.

3. Acceptance and appropriation of a donation of \$465 from the Outreach Team At St. Peter's Episcopal Church to the Cheshire Fuel Bank.

4. Acceptance and appropriation of \$40 donation from Andrea and Randy Foligno For a memorial bench in memory of Linda Hammerman.

5. Acceptance and appropriation of \$50 anonymous donation to the Human Services Gift Account for general purposes.

6. Acceptance and appropriation of an aggregate of \$1,888.11 in Police Seizure Grant reimbursements from the State of Connecticut to the Police Seizure Account.

7. Acceptance and appropriation of a \$1,020 donation from the Cheshire Rotary Club to the Library Gift Account for the purchase of computers.

8. Acceptance and appropriation of a \$1,000 Stanford Warshasky Grant for Library program materials.

9. Acceptance and appropriation of a \$250 grant from the Connecticut Community Foundation for children's summer program materials.

10. Acceptance and appropriation of \$48 in lobby box donations to the Library Gift Account for Library materials, furniture and computers.

11. Acceptance and appropriation of a \$550 conation from the Cheshire Rotary Club Birthday Book Plan to the Library Gift Account for general purposes.

12. Acceptance and appropriation of a \$150 donation from the Rockoff family in Honor of Kristin Chuk, Christine Cole, Carol Warner, Deborah Manke, Stephanie Staszewski and Kara LaDore to the Library Gift Account for the

Purchase of books.

13. Authorization to apply for Local Certified Government Historic Preservation Enhancement Grant for \$3,035 for the purchase of historic district signs.
14. Acceptance and appropriation of a \$1,650 donation from Patrick Griffin to The Parks Gift Account for a memorial bench in memory of Ruth Allen Griffin.
15. Acceptance and appropriation of a \$12,000 JAG Violent Crime Prevention' Grant for Crisis Intervention Team training for police officers handling mentally ill offenders.
16. Acceptance and appropriation of the Connecticut Department of Transportation FY 2015 High Risk Rural Roads - Speed Enforcement Program Grant for \$9,619 for speed enforcement efforts.
17. Acceptance and appropriation of a \$500 donation from Signian McGeary to the CPFA Gift Account for scholarships.

MOTION by Mr. Ruocco; seconded by Mr. Talbot.

MOVED to approve agenda items #3 through #17 and forward to the full Town Council for approval.

VOTE The motion passed unanimously by those present.

18. Acceptance and appropriation of \$106,824 from the State of Connecticut Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection School Security Grant Program to the District Wide-Critical Telephone and PA Replacement Capital project.

MOTION by Mr. Ruocco; seconded by Mr. Talbot.

MOVED to approve agenda item #18 and forward to the full Town Council for approval.

Discussion

There was \$150,000 appropriated to the BOE for this project, which is completed, and there are now State grant funds received. Mr. Masciana informed the committee that this is a school security grant for telephones and other security improvements. The work was completed; the \$106,000 was the cost of upgrading the paging systems in the schools. The item was in the capital budget request and has been pulled out. The total expenditure was \$240,000, and the \$106,824 reimbursement covers the full cost of the paging systems, including addition of outdoor paging capability to schools, which has already been installed.

VOTE The motion passed unanimously by those present.

19. Authorization to execute a Power Purchase Agreement and Virtual Net Metering application for the photovoltaic installation project at the former Town Landfill.

Mr. Milone explained this agenda item will be discussed in detail at the Council meeting, and Attorney Paul Michaud from Murtha, Cullina will attend to answer Council questions and address concerns. Attorney Michaud is an expert on power purchase agreements. A solar power representative from Solar City will also be at the meeting.

No action was taken by the Budget Committee on this agenda item.

20. Acceptance and appropriation of additional LOTCIP funding for the Mountain Road Repavement Project.

MOTION by Mr. Ruocco; seconded by Mr. Talbot.

MOVED to approve agenda item #20 and forward to the full Town Council for approval.

Discussion

Mr. Milone outlined the changes for this Council meeting agenda item. The \$335,000 goes up to \$696,807.07 -- an increase of \$361,807.07. The number "\$700,000" must be changed in the resolution for item 7E. The road improvements will go from Waterbury Road to Cornwall Avenue section of Mountain Road, with better quality road repaving materials.

VOTE The motion passed unanimously by those present.

21. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Mr. Ruocco; seconded by Mr. Talbot.

MOVED to adjourn the meeting at 7:25 p.m.

VOTE The motion passed unanimously by those present.

Attest:

Marilyn W. Milton, Clerk