

SHARON BOARD OF FINANCE
Draft until approved at the next regular meeting

A special meeting of the Sharon BOF was held on June 13, 2017 at 7:00PM at the Town Hall. Present were regular members Dignacco, Bartram, Seibold, Robertson, Bancroft and Flanagan; alternates La Roche and Duncan; First Selectman Colley, TRAC Building Committee member Jones and the secretary.

Chairman Dignacco called the meeting to order at 7PM.

There was no public comment.

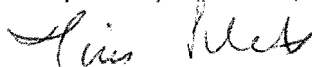
Mr. Jones was asked to attend this meeting to give an update on the new transfer station – see attached. It was noted that the Board of Selectmen have voted to follow the Town of Salisbury in contracting with MIRA (Materials Innovation and Recycling Authority) for 10 years at a tipping fee of \$70 per ton of solid waste. The Board members had a few questions in general regarding the permitting process and the site plan. The Board thanked Mr. Jones for this information.

The Selectmen's financial reports were reviewed with any anticipated overages noted. Mrs. Dignacco raised the question as to if the Board should be doing anything in regards to undesignated balances in light of the State budget cuts. New accounts could be opened assigning a project with a certain amount of money from the Undesignated Fund – this would require Town Meeting approval. It would need to be explained at the Town Meeting why this is being done. The amount to be assigned would be the difference in the amount of the Undesignated and the recommended amount to be kept in the Undesignated Account. For now, the Board agreed to keep an eye on what is happening Hartford, Mr. Colley will see what other Towns in the COG are doing and Mrs. Dignacco will speak with the Auditor. This item will be placed on the September meeting agenda. In reviewing the report from the Tax Collector, Mr. Colley commented that the Tax Collector is working hard on collecting back taxes and is working on holding a tax sale in September.

The Tax Collector has submitted the 2015 Grand List Suspense List – one Personal Property account for a business that is no longer in operation - \$1,182.12. Mr. Bancroft made a motion to approve the Suspense List, seconded by Mr. Bartram, with all in favor.

With nothing further, Mrs. Robertson made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Bartram, with all in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 8:04.

Respectfully submitted,



Tina Pitcher, Recording Secretary

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Sharon BOF Transfer station talking points

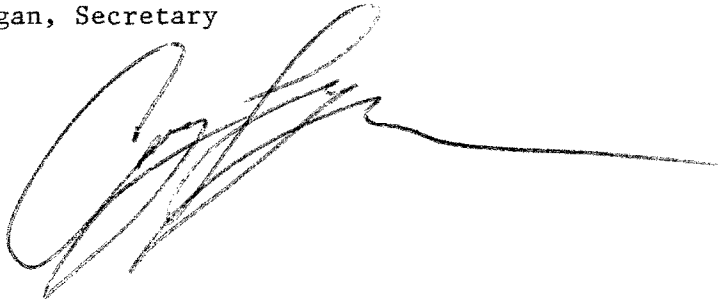
- SPECIAL HEARING-Continued. Meeting was lightly attended though the speakers had a lot to say. I didn't stay for the entire meeting, but only one objector was from the neighborhood across the street, and his objections were incomprehensible. Several speakers were from the Belgo road area, which is across the valley from the site. Complaints ranged from noise (no noise ordinance in Salisbury), to intrusive lighting (only 2 lights for security, downcast on the BACK side of the building will be on at night.. no orange glow.., beeping truck unloading, spoiled view.
- COST currently approved at 3.72 million dollars, split between our towns...a 343,863 dollar USDA grant, plus loan of 1.56 million at 1.87% approved at Town meeting march 4th 2016. Last word from eng. Kevin Grindle was that we can stay on or below budget.
- SAVINGS- Curtis Rand obtained 12 thousand yards of sub-grade gravelly dirt to use in construction, plus a donation of 3 dozen grown fir trees to screening.
- CHANGES; D.E.E.P. wanted more space for bog turtle habitat to the west, transfer station was moved as far northeast as possible to accommodate slightly altering the design. There's now 300 feet of space between the edge of developed land and habitat. Has not significantly increased costs.
- CHALLENGES; Transfer station cost Sharon over 222 thousand in latest budget a 4.4% increase. Solid waste and recyclables markets have changed. Trash burned isn't worth as much anymore due to low cost natural gas, pushing up tipping fees. Recyclables are in a glut, driving down what we can get for them. Staff has pursued efficiencies where they can, but the BOF should play a more active role in budget oversight after the new station is built.
- We all wish the station was under construction by now, and were realizing how long the state and local approval process is! We haven't even gone out to bid yet.

2015 Grand List Suspense

Personal Property- \$1,182.12

Approved by the Sharon Board of Finance at their meeting held June 13, 2017.

Casey Flanagan, Secretary

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Property Response Report

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Condition (s): Year: , Type: 02 - PERSONALPROPERTY, Order: Bill Number, Total Only: No, Recap by Dist: No

Bill #	Dst Name	Code Reason	Date	Town Due/Susp	Dist Due/Susp	Sewer Due/Susp	Total
2015-02-0040037	BREADLOAF MOUNTAIN LODGE LLC		06/07/2017	1,014.36			
2015-02-0040122	HOUSATONIC MEADOWVIEW LLC		06/07/2017	167.76			
PERSONALPROPERTY	# Of Acct: 2			1,182.12			
YR : 2015	TOTAL : 2			1,182.12			
Grand Total: 2				1,182.12			

Out of Business
Donna Christensen