

**TOWN OF SOMERS
BOARD OF FINANCE
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
Monday, April 29, 2013
7pm**

Call to Order:

Chairman Jim Persano called the meeting to order at 7:02pm.

Members Present:

Members present included Jim Persano, Steve Krasinski, Michael Parker, Tom Mazzoli and Marilyn Pronovost. Also present were CFO Glen O'Keefe, First Selectman Lisa Pellegrini (recording), Town Clerk Ann Logan, School Superintendent Dr. Maynard Suffredini, School Business Manager Bill Boutwell, BOE Member Bruce Devlin, and an interested resident.

2013/2014 Budget Workshop: Discussion of Appropriation Committees Budget

Mr. Persano opened the meeting as a workshop with the intention of clarifying where we are with regard to municipal aid. He asked the CFO to join the members at the table and share with the Board the chart showing the summary of changes comparing the Governor's Proposed Budget vs. the Appropriations Committee's Proposed Budget. The projected FY 2013-2014 Deficit at this time between the two proposed budgets is \$479,433.

Mr. Persano highlighted the fact that the property taxes listed in the comparison references a .65 mil increase.

In the event of changes or receipt of additional information from the State, Mr. Persano asked the CFO to expand the chart as necessary. This will keep everyone on the same page as to the history of changes.

A list of options to consider in the near future addressing the municipal aid deficit was reviewed. There was no action taken.

A letter from the Town Clerk to the Chairman noting the change of the Annual Town Meeting Date to Tuesday, May 21, 2013 and Referendum Date to Tuesday, June 4, 2013 was distributed to the group.

Mr. Persano notified the Board of a need for another meeting on Monday, May 13th. He said it was needed in order to have a budget number available for the Annual Town Meeting on May 21st. He asked the group to have options ready on closing the gap.

Adjournment

Mr. Parker made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:15pm, seconded by Mr. Krasinski. The motion passed and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lisa Pellegrini (Recording)

Minutes are not official until accepted at a subsequent meeting.