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THOMASTON BOARD OF FINANCE REGULAR MEETING TUESDAY, JUNE 14, 2016

Present:

George Seabourne, Rich Sileo, Mike Madow and Tom Duffany were in attendance along with First Selectman Mone, Tracy Decker and members of the community. Luke Freimuth and Steve Turner were not in attendance.

Call to Order:

Meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m. by Chairman Seabourne.

Pledge of Allegiance:

The pledge was recited by all.

Approval of Minutes:

A motion was made by T. Duffany to approve the minutes of both the May 19, 2016 and May 25, 2016 meetings as presented. Motion was seconded by R. Sileo. Motion carries 4-0.

New Business/Hillside Cemetery Purchase of Land:

Julianne Ingham was in attendance to present for the committee.

She explained to the Board that the committee has an opportunity to purchase a 16.75 acre parcel of land adjacent to the cemetery to the rear (south and west) of the existing homes on Marine Street and Innes Avenue (see attached – Map 39, Block 2, Lot 1). The intention and proposed use of the property would be for typical cemetery use and drainage improvements. This property will connect the current cemetery property to existing preserved open space off of Dug Road, improving access for public use. Planning and Zoning has already given their approval, and now the Cemetery Committee is looking for BOF and eventually BOS approval before going forward to a town meeting.

This property's owner (wife of the late Mr. Toffolon) accepted the offer made by the Cemetery Committee to purchase the land for \$25,000.

The committee hired Robert Green Associates LLC of Terryville to perform the survey of the area where homeowners' yards back the property. The committee is paying for this service as well as the property itself with money from their own funds.

Old Business:

Budget meeting scheduled for Thursday at 7:00 p.m. immediately followed by special meeting to set mil rate.

Communications – none.

Selectman's Report – none.

Finance Director's Report:

There are three line items that will be over budget – ***Registrar's*** (for training of new employees); ***Town Clerk*** (Rosemary Martin will be retiring and is using her vacation time); and ***Technology*** (service calls to new contractor and website).

Member Comment:

T. Duffany wanted to acknowledge BOE for presenting some old, historical items to the Historical Society. That was a really nice thing to do.

Public Comment:

Julie Ingham wanted to know what happened to the annual budget meeting that was scheduled for last week. Chairman Seabourne indicated that there was a miscommunication in getting the legal notice in the paper on time.

A motion was made by R. Sileo to adjourn the meeting at 7:21 p.m. Motion was seconded by M. Madow. Motion carries 4-0.