



## **BOF – Minutes – April 6, 2023**

**Present:** Pari Forood, Chairman; Emily Vail; Janet Graaff; Rick Cantele; Michael Voldstad. **Absent:** Joseph Woodard.

**Also Present:** Joseph Cleaveland, Comptroller; Sue Bucceri, SCS Board Clerk; C. Williams, Selectman; Emily Egan, Secretary.

The meeting was **called to order** at 6:01pm.

J. Graaff made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 21, 2023 meeting. R. Cantele seconded, and the motion was approved unanimously.

J. Cleaveland presented the **quarterly report from the Tax Collector**. Tax collection is at 87.64% at the end of this quarter; there was nothing else to report at this time. E. Vail made a motion to receive the quarterly report from the Tax Collector. J. Graaff seconded, and the motion was approved unanimously.

### **Quarterly Report from Salisbury Central School Board of Education (SCS BOE).**

S. Bucceri presented the quarterly report and mentioned the following:

- On page 5 of the report, S. Bucceri noted that the significant difference in the Total Regional Tuition comparison from 2022 (\$2,980,521) to 2023 (\$3,596,803), was that the 2022 figure did not include the March payment to Region One.
- Series 5000 (Site Improvements), 5100 (Lower Building Improvements) and 5200 (Upper Building Improvements) - 5200 is over budget by \$19,600. There has been additional repairs made in the Upper Building. This area of the budget is usually over budget.
- Series 4600 (Heating Fuel) - This will also be over budget by nearly \$40,000 by the end of the fiscal year, due to a rate increase that was not anticipated.
- Building & Grounds is working on other projects including generator replacement, heating system upgrades and sewer repair, all to take place either this summer or next summer.

R. Cantele made a motion to receive the quarterly report from the Salisbury Central School Board of Education. M. Voldstad seconded, and the motion was approved unanimously.

### **Quarterly Report from Board of Selectmen**

J. Cleaveland presented the report for the Board of Selectmen and reminded everyone that in **Revenue** (Page 1), that the building fees 7110 (Construction) are way over budget. There was a vast increase in building permits and applications that have been filed over the past couple years; these projects are taking longer to complete. Applications from the Land Use Department are starting to slow down, another reason not to over budget this line item in the near future.

#### **Expenditures**

(Page 2), J. Cleaveland noted the timing issues of reimbursements in line items 1064 (Health Insurance), 1067 (Workers Comp.), 1070 (Life/Disability) and 1080 (Multi. Ins.).

(Page 3) Highway had a mild winter. The Town has a reserve set aside for sand and salt; we will be returning a lot of that overage to surplus this year.

(Page 4) 7040 (Trotta Field) – This line item is designated for Paddle Tennis. They did some upgrades to the lighting system at the paddle courts. The Paddle Tennis group raised funds and there was revenue last year to offset that cost. 9210 (Other) includes ARPA funds, (over \$437,000 being expensed), \$30,000 to purchase the island on Library Street, and a LOCIP expenditure of \$12,000 which will be reimbursed from the state.

J. Graaff made a motion to receive the quarterly report from the Board of Selectmen. M. Voldstad seconded, and the motion was approved unanimously.

The Tax Collector submitted a **Suspense List** to the Board of Finance with multiple accounts deemed uncollectible and removed from consideration as assets of the Town. They are not abated; to be collected whenever possible. The total Personal Property uncollected is \$5,408.85 and the total Motor Vehicle is \$7,465.62. R. Cantele made a motion to approve the Suspense List totaling \$12,874.47. J. Graaff seconded, and the motion was approved unanimously.

R. Cantele made a motion to **adjourn** at 6:25pm. M. Voldstad seconded, and the motion approved unanimously.