

Seymour Board of Finance
2008-2009 Budget Workshops
Thursday – March 6, 2008 – 7:00 pm
Community Center Cafeteria

BOF Members Present

1. Trish Danka
2. Pete Jezierny
3. Kurt Miller (alternate)
4. Bill Paecht
5. Michele Pavlik
6. Jim Simpson
7. Al Yagovane

BOF Members Absent

Nancy Onofrio

Others Present

Bob Koskelowski (First Selectman)
No Finance Department
No Board of Education
See attached list for others present

- Meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm followed by Pledge of Allegiance.
- Kurt Miller was seated as alternate.
- The BOE budget was discussed as follows:
 - BOF members provided workshop guidelines, an overview of the budget process, clarification of misconceptions that have been circulating regarding initial starting figure of \$300,000 increase over current budget, the various financial and economic considerations being evaluated, the distinction between BOF fiscal responsibilities for budget and BOE school district responsibilities for budget, and an explanation for how BOF arrived at \$300,000 initial starting figure (top down budget formula).
 - Workshop attendees (audience) provided comments and recommendations to BOF regarding BOE budget and the potential impact of reductions.
 - BOF responded to questions from audience.
- BOF informed workshop attendees that budget workshops will conclude on Tuesday, March 11 and final budget deliberations will begin on Wednesday, March 12 (7:00 pm), and continue on Tuesday and Wednesday, March 18 and 19 (7:00 pm) as needed. During deliberation meetings the BOF will review all budgets to determine a proposed budget and mill rate for submission to Town Clerk on or before April 1, 2008 per Town Charter.
- BOF reiterated that all workshops/meetings are open to the public and everyone is encouraged to attend.
- Meeting was adjourned at 9:00 pm.

Submitted by
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Board of Finance Secretary