

Minutes
Killingworth Board of Finance
Budget Workshop
Tuesday, March 26, 2013, Killingworth Town Office Building

Workshop convened at 7PM.

Members present: John McMahon, Gwenne Celmer, Hilary Kumnick, Shawn O'Connell, Mark Williams

Visitors: Gina Regolo, Financial Director; Richard Bauer, Fire Chief; Jeremy Adametz, Deputy Fire Chief, Cathy lino, First Selectman; Dan Cologna, Chair, Killingworth Park and Recreation Commission

- Richard Bauer explained the need for a fire department training facility in Killingworth, citing the distance and impending closing of the Middletown facility, time pressures on department volunteers, OSHA requirements and other factors. He anticipates that the facility would be used one or twice weekly.
- There was discussion with Gina Regolo regarding placement of LoCIP revenues within the budget.
- There was discussion with Cathy lino about progress on a revised plan for the town office building and about the aforementioned fire department training facility.
- Dan Cologna discussed:
 - Planning and estimated costs of the Sheldon Field renovations. Anticipated costs are higher than originally thought as a result of actual engineering and the need for an irrigation system.
 - The delay in proceeding with the next phase of work on the Killingworth Recreation Complex due to drainage problems on Parker Hill Road that must be addressed first.
 - The need to begin using the \$400,000.00 STEAP grant that was awarded close to five years ago.
 - Dan Cologna and the Board of Finance agreed that:
 - As projects evolve throughout the year there should be communication between Park and Rec and the BOF to facilitate timely planning for any adjustments in projected costs.
 - Park and Rec should develop a long-term capital plan to help ensure that the town's recreation needs can be met appropriately. The BOF offered to provide guidance if needed.

Following the departure of visitors, the BOF proceeded to review the proposed budget. General discussion related to the sections on General Government, Public Safety and Highway. No votes were taken.

Workshop adjourned at 9:15PM.

Respectfully Submitted by Gwenne Celmer, Clerk