

**Sterling Board of Finance  
Regular Meeting Minutes  
Wednesday, December 10, 2025  
Sterling Municipal Building @ 7pm**

**Present:** Chairman Robert Salisbury via zoom, Vice Chair Neil Delmonico, Tracie Adams, Peter Rabbitt, and David Malo

**Absent:** James Molodich

**Also Present:** First Selectman Jack Joslyn, Selectman Patricia Massey, Hunter Wood, public attendance and Melissa Bradley; recording secretary

- I. **Call to Order:** N. Delmonico called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.
- II. **Pledge of Allegiance:** All stood to honor the pledge of allegiance.
- III. **Audience of Citizens:** No discussion.
- IV. **Approval of Minutes:**  
**MOTION 1** MADE BY P. Rabbitt to approve the meeting minutes of November 12, 2025, with the correction of audience member name: Deb Thompson should be Stephanie Thompson.  
**SECONDED** BY T. Adams      **VOICE VOTE: 4-0 UNANIMOUS**      **MOTION CARRIES**
- V. **Unfinished Business:** None
- VI. **New Business:**
  - a: **Consider and Act on BOS bus purchase:** Discussion held by Hunter Wood to purchase a Blue Bird bus over an International due to convenience and previous issues with Internationals. The Blue Bird bus will cost \$419,500 and comes with a five-year warranty on the body and seven years on the engine and transmission. The current 2010 bus with 180,000 miles will be sold via sealed bid. The surveillance system will be replaced with a less expensive option costing \$419.50, and the 2-way radio will be transferred to the new bus. Only cables will be needed to make the transfer.  
**MOTION 2** MADE BY P. Rabbitt to approve the Board of Selectmen's bus purchase proposal as presented.  
**SECONDED** BY T. Adams      **VOICE VOTE: 4-0 UNANIMOUS**      **MOTION CARRIES**
  - b: **Treasurer's Report:** No significant changes.
  - c: **Collector's Report:** No significant changes.
  - d: **Selectman's report:** J. Joslyn reports the BOS has approved the purchase of a new snowplow for \$9,600.
- VII. **Any Other Business:**
  - a. **Welcome new member David Malo:** N. Delmonico welcomes new board member David Malo and emphasizes the importance of working together and acting as guardians of taxpayer money.

**b. Acknowledgement re-elected member C. Peter Rabbitt:** N. Delmonico welcomes Peter Rabbitt back and thanks him for his continued service.

**c. Discussion regarding BOF purpose, policies, procedures, and duties:** A handbook for CT Board of Finance is distributed to the members. Further discussion will be held at upcoming meetings.

**d. Consider and Act on BOF officers for 2026:**

**MOTION 3** MADE BY D. Malo to table this item until the next meeting due to the absence of some members.

**SECONDED** BY P. Rabbitt      **VOICE VOTE: 4-0 UNANIMOUS**      **MOTION CARRIES**

**VIII. Adjournment:**

**MOTION 4** MADE BY P. Rabbitt to adjourn the meeting.

**SECONDED** BY T. Adams

**Meeting adjourned at 7:20pm**

Respectfully Submitted;

*Melissa J. Bradley*

Recording Secretary