Item 1: Chairman Michael O’Connor called the regular meeting of the Bozrah Board of Finance (BOF) to order at 7:00 p.m.

Members Present: Michael O’Connor Michel Leask, Raymond Barber, Phil Lavallee, Evan Gilman

Members Absent: Steve Seder

Others Present: Glenn Pianka (First Selectman), Carl Zorn (Selectman), Nancy Renshaw (Tax Collector), Diana Santo (Treasurer), Deb Smith (BOE Chair), Paul Gagliarducci (Superintendent), Ev Brown

Item 2: Public Comments

No public comments.

Item 3: Review and approve the minutes from the 18 July 2016 special meeting

MOTION 1: R. Barber made a motion to approve the minutes from the 18 July 2016 special meeting. E. Gilman seconded the motion. Vote unanimous – MOTION CARRIED

Item 4: Report from the Treasurer

Town treasurer, Diane Santo, presented the board with the Treasurer’s report. D. Santo noted some errors in the report that read 2015 but should read 2016.

Item 5: Report from the Tax Collector

Tax collector, Nancy Renshaw, noted for taxes that $3,581,000 has been collected out of the total $6,329,000.

N. Renshaw also commented on 314 Bozrah Street, the Bialowas property. The owner of the property has to pay the court fees for the town. If the owner misses a payment then the court will take over the property. The property is now current for the 14/15 grand list.

N. Renshaw noted that on July 21, 2016 Ransomware hit her computer. It is unknown whether information was taken, but the issue has been corrected now.
Item 6: Board of Selectman and Board of Education: 16/17 budget status report

Board of Selectman:
First Selectman, Glenn Pianka, noted that the salaries were not updated on the 16/17 budget. G. Pianka also noted that the grinding and resurfacing of Wawecus Hill has a $132,000 distribution.

G. Pianka explained that an OSHA inspection was done and this will be discussed on Thursday September 22, 2016.

Board of Education:
Paul Gagliarducci, Superintendent, noted $84,000 is going back to the town. A student that was the highest output placements moved to New London this giving New London the costs of the student.

Item 7: Hear and act on a request from the Board of Education regarding funding for fire alarm system upgrades

P. Gagliarducci explained electrical engineer Bob Banning showed him, First Selectman Glenn Pianka and Fire Marshal Tom Main the options for the FMS fire panel. It was suggested that instead of just replacing the fire panel that the whole system gets upgraded. The estimated price for the upgrades is about $118,000. The Board of Education will save money due to the student moving, have a $21,000 security grant and have $50,000 capitol that they can put forth for these upgrades. M. Leask, R. Barber and E. Gilman expressed support for the whole project to be completed. M. O'Connor explained that the project will not have to go to a town meeting as long as the Board of Education uses the money out of their budget, when they need more then they will have to come back to the Board of Finance. M. O'Connor also suggested that this information goes in the TWIB so the town knows what the money is being used for.

Item 8: Hear and act on a request from the First Selectman regarding finding for FMS generator transfer switch upgrades

G. Pianka noted that H. O. Penn charged $2,900 to analyze the issue with the generator transfer switch. A sub company to H. O. Penn came in and found that the circuitry was done incorrectly and the total to fix the issue is a total $10,800. The Board of Selectman are requesting an addition $8,300.

MOTION 2: E. Gilman made a motion to transfer $8,300 to line item 54069 in the capital budget from the general fund. M. Leask seconded the motion. Vote unanimous – MOTION CARRIED

Item 9: Hear and act on a request from the Board of Selectman regarding the purchase of surplus vehicles from the Town of Colchester
G. Pianka explained the town’s current vehicles have many issues. Colchester is turning in two trucks for $25,000 a piece to International. G. Pianka spoke to the foreman at Colchester and said the trucks could be sold for $18,000 - $25,000 per unit. The trucks have complete maintenance records and are fully equipped. If the town purchased the trucks the 2008 550 would be sold.

**MOTION 3:** P. Lavallee made a motion to approve the transfer of up to $50,000 for the purchase of two trucks to go to a town meeting. M. Leask seconded the motion. Vote unanimous – **MOTION CARRIED**

**Item 10:** Such other business as the board may vote to hear

None.

**Item 11:** Final Public Comment

Jeanne Caplet commented on the Tax Collectors Ransomware issue.

**Item 12:** Adjourn

**MOTION 4:** R. Barber made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 p.m. E. Gilman seconded the motion. Vote unanimous – **MOTION CARRIED**

Respectfully submitted for the board,

Heather Barber
Recording Secretary