## *Town of New Fairfield* Board of Finance 4 Brush Hill Road New Fairfield, CT 06812

## <u>MINUTES</u> Board of Finance Regular Meeting Wednesday, March 28, 2018 7:30 PM New Fairfield Community Room

## Members present:

Wes Marsh, Chairman Erin Badillo Michael Cammarota Tom Edwards Jane Landers Anthony Yorio Cheryl Reedy, Alternate Rick Salem, Alternate Brian Shea, Alternate

## **Other Town Officials Present:**

Ed Sbordone, Finance Director Pat Del Monaco, First Selectman Khris Hall, Selectman Dr. Alicia Roy, Superintendent of Schools Dr. Richard Sanzo, High School Principal Craig McClain, BOE Business Manager Peggy Katkocin, BOE Chairman Samantha Mannion, BOE member Rick Regan, BOE member Kim Quigley, USI Insurance Services

Call To Order Chairman Wes Marsh called the meeting to order at 7:30pm

# **Pledge of Allegiance**

## Appointments-None

# **Correspondence and Announcements**

Chairman Wes Marsh noted that the BOF received 12 emails from members of the public. All of them were regarding school safety and security.

## **Public Comment**

Lisa Weisenberger spoke in support of hiring a SRO for every school and thanked Anthony Yorio for putting together the School Safety and Security Committee.

## **Approval of Minutes**

Anthony Yorio made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 21, 2018 regular meeting as presented. Jane Landers seconded the motion. Vote: 6-0-0 (Motion approved)

Anthony Yorio made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 14, 2018 regular meeting as presented. Jane Landers seconded the motion. Vote: 5-0-1 (Motion approved- Erin Badillo abstained)

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# **Budget Transfers**

Wes Marsh made a motion to approve the following Additional Appropriation (Town Meeting required) in the amount of \$15,100.00. Anthony Yorio seconded the motion. (Such document to be attached to the minutes of this meeting) **Vote: 6-0-0** (Motion approved)

\$	Transfer		\$	Transfer	
	From			То	
\$15,100.00	3400-6	Police Private Duty	\$15,100.00	4210-130-2	Police Private Duty-OT
\$15,100.00			\$15,100.00		

# **School Safety and Security Committee**

Anthony Yorio noted that the first meeting of the School Safety and Security Committee was held on Tuesday, March 27th. Future meetings will be held on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month at the Community Room at 33 Route 37. These meetings are an open forum and feedback from the public is encouraged. Specific topics discussed at the March 27th meeting included requesting a quote from a private firm for a safety audit of the schools, physical measures and drill planning.

Jane Landers nominated Anthony Yorio to serve as the Board of Finance representative for the School Safety and Security Committee. Michael Cammarota seconded the motion,.

Wes Marsh made a motion to close the nominations. Jane Landers seconded the motion. **Vote: 6-0-0 (Motion approved)** 

Anthony Yorio was appointed to be the Board of Finance representative for the School Safety and Security Committee.

# Medical Plan

Kim Quigley from USI Insurance Services spoke of the Town's medical plan and claims. There was a discussion among the members of the BOF regarding the best option for the Town based on past claims, premiums and the amount of money in the Medical Fund. The Board discussed different levels of Individual Stop Loss and Aggregate Stop Loss.

Michael Cammarota made a motion to approve option #3 (\$150,000 ISL with 120% ASL) for a premium of \$574,277. Anthony Yorio seconded the motion.

Wes Marsh made a motion to amend the motion to approve the \$150,000 and remove the 120% ASL. Jane Landers seconded the motion.

Vote on motion to amend: 1-5-0 (Motion denied- Wes Marsh in favor) Vote on original motion as presented: 6-0-0 (Motion approved)

# **Budget for 2018-2019**

The BOF discussed the Board of Selectmen requested budget for 2018-2019 and asked questions of First Selectman Pat Del Monaco. Specific topics of discussion included the proposed increase in hours for the Senior Center Coordinator, personnel for school safety including School Resource Officers and State Troopers and local officers.

The BOF also discussed the Board of Education requested budget for 2018-2019 and asked questions of Superintendent of Schools Dr. Alicia Roy. Specific topics included accounting for attrition and whether or not it could be higher than \$150,000/per year. There was a discussion of the reduction in enrollment and whether or not administrators can be reduced accordingly.

The Board discussed the governor's budget and the best way to predict and account for possible state revenue cuts that may affect the budget.

Anthony Yorio made a motion to not consider any of the proposed governor's cuts including Education Cost Sharing in the amount of \$663,801 for the 2018-2019 budget. Tom Edwards seconded the motion.

Anthony Yorio made a motion to amend the previous motion to budget for 75% of the governor's cuts of \$663,000 and restore \$497,851 to the budget. Jane Landers seconded the motion. Vote on motion to amend: 5-1-0 (Motion approved- Erin Badillo opposed) Vote on motion as amended: 5-1-0 (Motion approved-Erin Badillo opposed)

## **ONGOING UPDATE**

Medical update- No review Legal update- No review Year to date expenses review-Everything is on track Current year revenue update-Everything is on track Capital and Nonrecurring- No review

# Public Comment- None

# **Future Agenda Items**

The Final Mark up of the budget will be held on Wednesday, April 4th at 7:30 pm.

Erin Badillo will write the BOF column for the Town Tribune for next week. Michael Cammarota will write for the following week.

## **Board Member Comments**

Anthony Yorio reminded everyone that the next meeting of the School Safety and Security Committee will be held on Tuesday, April 10th at the Community Room at 33 Route 37

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<u>Adjournment</u> Anthony Yorio made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:13 pm. Michael Cammarota seconded the motion.

Vote: 6-0-0 (Motion approved)

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