

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

MINUTES

**Board of Finance Regular Meeting
Wednesday, March 20, 2019
7:30 PM
New Fairfield Community Room**

Members present:

Wes Marsh, Chairman
Erin Badillo
Michael Cammarota
Jane Landers
Cheryl Reedy
Anthony Yorio
Tom Garben, Alternate

Other Town Officials Present:

Ed Sbordone, Finance Director
Pat Del Monaco, First Selectman
Khris Hall, Selectman
Dr Pat Cosentino, Superintendent of Schools
Dr. Rich Sanzo, Director of Business and Operations
Peggy Katkocin, BOE Chairman

Members not present:

Rick Salem, Alternate
Brian Shea, Alternate

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

Pledge of Allegiance

Appointments- None

Correspondence and Announcements- None

Public Comment- None

Approval of Minutes

Cheryl Reedy made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 13, 2019 regular meeting as presented. Jane Landers seconded the motion. **Vote: 4-0-2 (Motion approved- Erin Badillo and Anthony Yorio abstained)**

Budget Transfers

Wes Marsh made a motion to approve the following Inter-Departmental transfer in the amount of \$77,835.00. Cheryl Reedy seconded the motion. **Vote: 6-0-0 (Motion approved)**

\$	Transfer From		\$	Transfer To	
\$77,600.00	4160-140	Unclass P&B-Salary Adjustments	\$3,000.00	4120-110	Town Clerk- Salaries
			\$11,000.00	4150-110	Finance-Salaries
			\$4,200.00	4154-110	Tax Collector Salaries
			\$15,000.00	4215-110	Communication Center-Salaries
			\$6,400.00	4240-110	Building Inspector-Salaries
			\$35,000.00	4310-110	Public Works-Salaries
			\$3,000.00	4510-110	Recreation-Salaries
\$235.00	4160-260	Unclass P&B-Workers Compensation	\$235.00	4163-520	General Insurance-Property & Casualty
\$77,835.00			\$77,835.00		

Wes Marsh made a motion to approve the following Additional Appropriation (TOWN MEETING REQUIRED) in the amount of \$280,000.00. Jane Landers seconded the motion.
Vote: 6-0-0 (Motion approved).

It was noted that the Town Meeting for this Additional Appropriation will be held on Thursday, March 28, 2019 at 7:15 pm in the Community Room at 33 Route 37.

\$	Transfer From		\$	Transfer To	
\$280,000.00	301-4100-700	Unappropriated Cap & Non	\$280,000.00	310-4330-742-1	Bridge & Drainage-Saw Mill
\$280,000.00			\$280,000.00		

Discussion of the BOS and BOE requested budgets for 2019-2020

State Budget- Erin Badillo noted that there is nothing new to report regarding the State budget.

Medical- The Medical broker will make a presentation to the BOF at the March 27th meeting. The amount of Individual Stop Loss and Aggregate Stop Loss and the prescription drug plan will be discussed at this meeting.

Expenditures/Revenue

First Selectman Pat Del Monaco spoke of the \$200,000 in budget adjustments that were requested by the BOF. It was noted that these cuts were from capital projects instead of operating because a lot of the budget increase was comprised of security.

There was a discussion of the BOF recommended cuts of \$400,000 to the BOE budget and it was noted that the BOE will meet on March 21st to discuss cuts. There was a discussion of the operating budget and the possibility of cutting payroll. There was a brief discussion of the increase of

administrator salaries. Superintendent of School Dr. Pat Cosentino spoke of the roles of the administrators specifically the Director of Technology and the Director of Business and Operations.

Board of Finance article for the Town Tribune

It was decided to wait until there was more information regarding the budget before submitting an article to the Town Tribune. There was a discussion on how to get more residents involved in the budget process.

School Safety and Security Committee

Anthony Yorio noted that this committee is now meeting only once a month. He noted that Dr. Sanzo is looking into grant opportunities for security. There is also an interoperability grant that the town may be eligible for. He noted that capital budget items for security will not be taken out of the budget.

ONGOING UPDATES

Medical update- The Board reviewed the medical plan through January. The reserve fund increased by over \$100,000. There will be a presentation of the medical plan on March 27th.

Legal update- The Board reviewed the labor budget.

Year to date expenses review- A transfer will likely be needed for police transfer.

Current year revenue update- There was a brief discussion of the high tax collection rate for New Fairfield. ECS, Paramedic billing and Sherman tuition will be collected before the end of the year.

Cap & Non- The Board reviewed capital projects.

Public Comment- None

Future Agenda items-The medical budget and the State budget will be discussed in the near future.

Board member comments- None

Adjournment

Jane Landers made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:22 pm. Anthony Yorio seconded the motion. **Vote: 6-0-0 (Motion approved)**