

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

MINUTES
Board of Finance Special Meeting
Wednesday, February 19, 2020
7:00 PM
New Fairfield Community Room

Members present:

Wes Marsh, Chairman
Michael Cammarota
Jane Landers
Cheryl Reedy
Anthony Yorio
Tom Garben, Alternate
Brian Shea, Alternate
Greg Williams, Alternate

Other Town Officials Present:

Ed Sbordone, Finance Director and Town Treasurer
Pat Del Monaco, First Selectman
Khris Hall, Selectman

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

Pledge of Allegiance

Appointments- None

Discussion and vote to fill a vacancy for a regular member of the Board of Finance due to a resignation

Wes Marsh explained the process for filling a vacancy and noted that the Board of Finance is made up of six regular voting members and three alternates. The decision on who will fill the vacancy for the regular voting member is determined by the remaining voting members of the BOF but the decision on who will fill the alternate position is determined by the Board of Selectmen. It was decided at a recent BOF meeting that the vacancy for the regular member will be filled by one of the current alternates and that the BOF will interview candidates for the alternate position and make a recommendation to the Board of Selectmen.

Alternates Tom Garben and Brian Shea both expressed interest in becoming full voting members to the Board. They each gave a brief description of their respective backgrounds and why they would like to be a full voting member. Members of the Board asked questions of both Mr. Garben and Mr. Shea.

Vote to elevate Tom Garben to a full member: Wes Marsh, Jane Landers, and Cheryl Reedy

Vote to elevate Brian Shea to a full member: Michael Cammarota and Anthony Yorio

Tom Garben was elevated to a full member and was sworn in by Justice of the Peace Suzanne Kloos.

Discussion and vote to recommend a candidate to the Board of Selectmen to appoint as an alternate BOF member due to a vacancy

Three residents of New Fairfield expressed an interest in becoming an alternate member on the Board of Finance and sent letters of intent to the Board. Terry Friedman, Danette Onofrio and Mark Werner each explained their respective backgrounds and answered questions from the Board of Finance members.

Vote to recommend Danette Onofrio to the Board of Selectmen to be appointed as an alternate member to the Board of Finance: Michael Cammarota, Tom Garben and Anthony Yorio

Vote to recommend Mark Werner to the Board of Selectmen to be appointed as an alternate member to the Board of Finance: Wes Marsh, Jane Landers, and Cheryl Reedy

The vote ended in a tie and the BOF decided to recommend both candidates and let the BOS make the selection as to who will receive the appointment.

Members of the BOF noted that all three candidates were highly qualified and thanked them for their interest and encouraged whoever was not appointed to volunteer for other boards in town.

Adjournment

Jane Landers made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:46 pm. Wes Marsh seconded the motion.

Vote: 6-0-0 (Motion approved)