

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

**MINUTES**  
**Board of Finance Special Meeting**  
**Wednesday, May 27, 2020**  
**7:30 PM**  
**Virtual meeting via Zoom**

***Members present via Zoom***

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

***Other Town Officials Present via Zoom***

Ed Sbordone, Finance Director and Town Treasurer  
Khris Hall, Selectman  
Kim Hanson, Selectman  
Dr. Rich Sanzo, Director of Business and Operations  
Dr. Pat Cosentino, Superintendent of Schools  
Katherine Matz, Pupil Personnel Director  
Melissa Busnel, Special Education Supervisor  
Kerrie Greening, Tax Collector  
Peggy Katkocin, BOE Chairman  
Rick Regan, BOE member

Director of Business and Operations Dr. Rich Sanzo gave a brief overview of the rules and procedures for having a virtual meeting.

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

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Appointments**- None

**Correspondence and Announcements**

Wes Marsh thanked Cheryl Reedy for all her hard work and help with the Town Tribune article.

Wes Marsh spoke of an email that the BOF received from resident Scott Simpson that referenced a Town Tribune article and commented that the article included references to the number of residents that asked for an increase to the budget or to keep it flat but there was no mention of the number of requests to decrease the budget. Mr. Marsh reviewed the emails and noted that there were four residents including Mr. Simpson that were in favor of decreasing the Mil Rate.

**Public Comment**- None

### **Approval of Minutes**

Anthony Yorio made a motion to adopt the minutes of the May 20, 2020 BOF meeting as presented. Michael Cammarota seconded the motion. **Vote: 6-0-0 (Motion approved)**

### **Budget Transfers**-None

### **Discussion of Medical Plan for 2020-2021**

Tom Kowalchick from USI noted that medical claims have been trending downward and June is also expected to be a light month. He noted that he expects the fund balance to build up in July, August and September with claims going back to normal in the fall. He noted that there has been \$3,000 worth of COVID claims which have strictly been for testing for COVID. It is hopeful that premium amounts from Anthem will be received by next week. The Board will discuss premiums for \$150,000 ISL, \$175,000 ISL and \$200,000 ISL. Mr. Kowalchick recommended \$200,000 for Individual Stop Loss and 120% for Aggregate Stop Loss. It was recommended that the town keep the ASL for at least this year.

### **Vote on Medical Plan for 2020-2021**

Wes Marsh spoke of the possibility of voting on the medical plan at the June 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting. The deadline for the medical plan is July 1, 2020.

### **BOF Budget**

Wes Marsh noted that the BOF needs to transfer money into the BOF Materials and Supplies line due to the advertisements and budget publication in the Town Tribune. It was decided to ask the Board of Selectmen to make an Intra-departmental transfer from the BOF contingency line.

Wes Marsh noted that the Board of Selectmen will meet on May 28 and will vote to authorize the BOF to adopt the budget and set the Mil Rate at the June 3 BOF meeting.

### **Public Comment**- None

### **Future Agenda items**

- Medical fund will be discussed
- Adopt 2020-2021 budget
- Set Mil Rate

There was a discussion of the possibility of cancelling the June 17, 2020 regular BOF meeting. This will be decided at a future date.

### **Board Member Comments**

Members of the BOF encouraged everyone to take the coronavirus seriously and continue to socially distance and stay safe and healthy. They thanked Wes Marsh and Cheryl Reedy for their hard work with the Town Tribune article.

### **Adjournment**

Jane Landers made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7: 56 pm. Michael Cammarota seconded the motion. **Vote: 6-0-0 (Motion approved)**