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Andreas Bisbikos, First Selectman

Board of Finance Regular Meeting Minutes

July 12, 2023. 7:00 pm

Hybrid: Town Hall - Meeting Room 1 & Via Zoom

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TOWN CLERK

Members Present: A. Migliaccio (Chair), J. Thomas, M. Egan, M. Hayes, T. Vaillancourt, A Shilosky
Also Present: A. Bisbikos (First Selectman), M. Williamson (Finance Director), J. Chaponis (Tax Assessor)

1. Call to Order: Meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by A. Migliaccio
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Correspondence
4. Approval of Minutes – Tabled
5. Chairman's Comments
 - a. A. Migliaccio provided an update on the budget process.
6. Budget Discussion
 - a. The Board of Finance discussed the grand list, revenue updates, and the mill rate impact. J. Chaponis answered questions related to revenue and the grand list.
 - b. M. Hayes made a motion to approve a Town Budget of \$15,660,140. 2nd by M. Egan. **Motion carried unanimously 6-0**
 - c. M. Hayes made a motion to approve an Education Budget of \$43,979,351. 2nd by M. Egan. **Motion carried unanimously 6-0**
 - d. M. Hayes made a motion to send a Town Budget of \$15,660,140 to the Board of Selectmen. 2nd by T. Vaillancourt. **Motion carried unanimously 6-0**
 - e. M. Hayes made a motion to send an Education Budget of \$43,979,140 to the Board of Selectmen. 2nd by T. Vaillancourt. **Motion carried unanimously 6-0**
7. Liaison Report
 - a. M. Egan provided an update on the BOE related to retirements, job descriptions, and the Silver Brooks solar project. A. Shilosky provided an update on the Commission of Aging related to donations, trips, meals on wheels, and senior center membership.
8. Old Business – None
9. New Business – None
10. Citizens Comments
 - a. T. Moroch thanked the BOF for their efforts. J. LaChapelle expressed disappointment in the administrative costs. J. Sevigny thanked the BOF for their efforts and staffing. J. Chaponis spoke about staffing related to assessment timing. M. Dubreuil spoke about administrative costs. M. Millington spoke in favor of both budgets. T. Rudko spoke about administrative costs. J. McKenzie thanked the BOF for their efforts. M. Begun spoke about the growth of administrations compared to teachers and students. K. Belding spoke about administrative costs. N. McKenzie spoke about reviewing the budget process. C. O'Donal spoke about the importance of negotiation. A. Bisbikos spoke about the second round of deliberations related to revenue.
11. Adjournment: A. Shilosky made a motion to adjourn. 2nd by J. Thomas. Meeting adjourned at 8:02 PM

Minutes submitted by A. Migliaccio