



Town of Colchester, Connecticut

127 Norwich Avenue, Colchester, Connecticut 06415

Andreas Bisbikos, First Selectman

BOARD OF FINANCE SPECIAL MEETING

January 11th, 2022 – 7:00 PM

Minutes

Hybrid: Town Hall - Meeting Room 1 & Via Zoom

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BOF Members Present: Andrea Migliaccio, John Thomas, Tim Vaillancourt, Mike Hayes, Mike Egan, Art Shilosky.

BOF Members Absent: None

Also Present: First Selectman: Andreas Bisbikos, Finance Director: Debbie Kratochvil.

1. Call To Order: BOF Chair A. Migliaccio called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Correspondence: None
4. Additions to the Agenda: A. Migliaccio motioned to add the Town Budget Calendar as item 6 and move all other items forward. Motion second by M. Egan. All members in favor via roll call. **MOTION PASSED.**
5. Approval of the Minutes 12/7 Regular Meeting: J. Thomas motion to approve the BOF minutes for the 12/7/22 meeting. Motion second by M. Hayes. A. Migliaccio, J. Thomas, M. Hayes, A. Shilosky and T. Vaillancourt voted in favor via roll call. M. Egan abstained. **MOTION PASSED.**
6. Town Budget Calendar: A. Migliaccio discussed a change in the budget calendar and an updated calendar will be posted on the website.
7. Citizens Comments: None
8. Budget Priorities:
 - a. Budget Forum Topics: A. Migliaccio said there will be two budget forums on 1/25/23 at 6:30 pm and 2/8/23 at 6:30 pm and encouraged the public to attend.
9. Department Reports:
 - a. Finance: The board discussed the revenue and expenditure reports. M. Egan suggested that the board clarify that the revenue is less than previous years due to the delay in the tax bills going out. A. Migliaccio presented a document called Revenue Assumption Workbook showing the town's revenue. The board reviewed this document together and discussed projections, legal fees, and the Senior Center Project.
 - b. Tax Collector: None
10. First Selectman:
 - a. Transfers: None

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b. First Selectman's Report: None

11. Old Business

- a. A survey monkey review and launch friday: A. Migliaccio presented the survey monkey questions. The board reviewed and discussed the questions and made adjustments when needed.

12. New Business: The board spoke about where they are in the budget process.

13. Liaison Reports: M. Egan gave the board an update from the last BOE meeting about the new superintendent, a presentation of the new kindergarten and grade 1 curriculum, student member report and subcommittee formed for student engagement. M. Hayes gave an update on the ARPA committee, field irrigation, preliminary estimate, test well, field study, etc. A. Shilosky gave an update on the Commission on Aging including the judgements on the Senior Center court case, new contract deadline and kick off meeting with the town building department. T. Vaillancourt updated the board on the Public Safety Subcommittee meeting including that they discussed bylaws. T. Vaillancourt asked Andreas about the police commission public oversight.

14. Chairman's Comments: A. Migliaccio thanked A. Shilosky for his decades of service to the town and the board wished him a happy 80th birthday.

15. Citizens Comments: G. Transue commented on the legal ruling for the Senior Center Building Committee and the legal fees. R. Silberman commented on the legal fees for the Senior Center Building Committee and about ARPA projects. M. Rudko commented on the hybrid system. D. Bouchard- Sanchez commented about the injunction for the Senior Center Project, the Police Commission, the budget survey, and wished A. Shilosky a happy birthday. . J. Lachepelle commented on legal fees for the Senior Center Building Committee and the town budget. R. Tarlov wished A. Shilosky a happy birthday.

16. Next Steps: None

17. Adjournment: J. Thomas motioned to adjourn the meeting. Motioned second by M. Hayes. All in favor via roll call. **MOTION PASSED.** Meeting adjourned at 8:24 pm.

Submitted by,

Megan Trujillo, BOF Clerk