

## Town of Colchester, Connecticut

127 Norwich Avenue, Colchester, Connecticut 06415

Andreas Bisbikos, First Selectman

Board of Finance Special Meeting Minutes Town Budget Workshop April 18, 2023, at 6:00 PM

Hybrid: Town Hall - Meeting Room 1 & Via Zoom



Members Present: A. Migliaccio (Chair), J. Thomas, M. Egan, A. Shilosky, M. Hayes, and T. Vaillancourt Also Present: A. Bisbikos (First Selectman), M. Williamson (Finance Director), M. Wyatt (Tax Collector), and V. Geato (Youth & Social Services Director)

- 1. Call to Order Meeting called to order at 6 PM
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance
- 3. Citizens Comments
  - R. Silberman spoke on the funding disparity between the Town and the BOE.
- 4. Guests:
  - M. Wyatt discussed Bloom Energy and its relation to the Grand list.
- 5. Town Budget Discussion
  - The Board of Finance discussed revenue projections, department requests, expenditures, scheduling, and Robert Half support.
  - V. Geato spoke about a yearly Youth & Social Services Grant that could be utilized to offset costs.
- 6. Citizens Comments
  - J. Cox asked questions related to Robert Half and ARPA projects. J. LaChapelle discussed concerns related to M. Egan and M. Hayes. D. Bouchard spoke about historical staff salary raises. T. Moroch asked questions related to the fields and the Robert Half support.
- 7. Budget Discussion None
- 8. Possible Action on the Education Budget None
  - M. Williamson provided an update on town finances. M. Wyatt provided an update on the current collection rates, budget requests, and answered related questions.
- 9. Next Steps
  - Discussed the schedule for the BOF.
- 10. Adjournment A. Shilosky made a motion to adjourn. 2<sup>nd</sup> by J. Thomas. Meeting adjourned 7:07 PM

Submitted by A. Migliaccio