

TOWN OF FRANKLIN

BOARD OF FINANCE (BOF)
FRANKLIN TOWN HALL
7 Meetinghouse Hill Rd.
Franklin, Connecticut

MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING

Wednesday, November 9, 2022
7:00 p.m.

This meeting was held in-person and with connections via ZOOM.
(Minutes are Unapproved). Formal approval takes place at the next Board meeting held and will show changes/ corrections if any)

1. Call to Order: Chairman Richard Handfield called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Members Present: Veronica Calvert, Calli Carboni, Chairman Richard Handfield, Melissa McGuire, Alden Miner, Vice Chairman Richard Weingart. **Alternate Members Absent:** Jeremy Beisiegel, Roland Mihok
Also Present: First Selectman Charlie Grant, Greg Keith Superintendent & Principal, Selectman Tom Craney, Peter Calvert

2. Recognition of Visitors: Chairman Handfield recognized visitors.
3. Additions to the Agenda: 1) Purchase of Drone & 2) BOS Policy First Selectman Medical Benefits
4. Approval of Minutes:
 - a. October 11, 2022

MOTION 1: made by Richard Weingart SECONDED BY Alden Miner that the Board of Finance approve Meeting Minutes of October 11, 2022

VOICE VOTE: UNANIMOUS

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5. Review of Reports:
 - a. **Monthly Tax Collection Report:** Tax Collector not present. Mr. Charlie reported current year taxes are at 60% of budget. Net Income is 55.2% of budget.
 - b. **Monthly Board of Selectmen Income Report:** Reports reviewed dated 11.2.22.

Net Income: 3,786,900.21	Budget: \$6,860,788.00
Over Budget: \$-\$3,073,887.79	% of Budget: 55.2%
 - c. **Monthly Board of Selectmen Expense Report:** Reports reviewed dated 11.2.22.

Net Income: -2,147,464.27	Budget: -6,854,789.00
Over Budget: \$4,707,324.73	% of Budget: 31.3%
 - d. **Monthly Board of Education Report:** Reports reviewed dated 11.2.22

Net Income: -1,460,051.83	Budget: -4,325,656.00
Over Budget: \$2,865,604.17	% of Budget: 33.8%

Discussion took place on Board of Education Teacher Negotiation Process. BOF members expressed interest in attending negotiations meetings.
 - e. **Monthly Selectman's Report:** Mr. Grant reported roadside mower has been repaired and is performing roadwork, DOT inspection on plow trucks is taking place, storm drain cleaning is taking place, and Steve Coit was awarded paving contract from railroad tracks to Route 32 pending railroad permit.

f. **FY 2022 Line-Item Transfers:**

MOTION 2 : made by Richard Weingart SECONDED BY Calli Carboni that the Board of Finance approve Line Item transfers – as presented / attached

VOICE VOTE: UNANIMOUS

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6. Correspondence: None

7. Old Business:

- a. BOS Policy First Selectman Medical Benefits: BOS has developed a First Selectman Policy of Benefits. Basically, same as past practice with only a 25% reimbursement of premium from this point forward.

8. New Business:

PLAINS CEMETERY: Mr. Grant noted Town & church have not negotiated for Town Department of Public Works to take over maintenance of cemetery. Mr. Grant is on Board of Directors for the church as a volunteer to maintain grounds.

DRONE: Drone was not purchased with Town funds. It was purchased by citizens and given to the Town. Drone is not being used at this time until Board of Selectmen develop policy for use.

9. Public Comments:

Discussion took place as to whether Board of Selectmen are going to hold their meetings at night. BOS to discuss at next meeting.

10. Adjournment:

MOTION 3: made by Calli Carboni SECONDED BY Richard Weingart that the Board of Finance adjourn the meeting 8:02 PM

VOICE VOTE: UNANIMOUS;

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Respectfully submitted,
Sherry Pollard,
Board Secretary