

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

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, April 13, 2021, 7:00 p.m.

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

Members Present: Nate Boyden, Vice Chairman Veronica Calvert, Susan Dombrowski, Chairman Richard Handfield, Richard Weingart (*entered after meeting began). **Members Absent:** Calli Carboni.

Alternate Members Present: Roland Mihok. **Alternate Members Absent:** Jeremy Beisiegel, Wesley Crawford.

Also Present: Tax Collector Kelsey Allard, Selectman Russ Beisiegel, Board of Education Chairman Peter Calvert, Town Clerk Lynda Craney, Selectman Tom Craney, Larry Fenn Superintendent of Schools, First Selectman Charlie Grant, Gregg Keith Principal Franklin Elementary School, Patty Osten Town Treasurer.

2. Recognition of Visitors: none
3. Additions to the Agenda: none
4. Approval of Minutes:

- a. March 9, 2021

MOTION #1 (04.13.21): made by Veronica Calvert SECONDED BY Nate Boyden that the Board of Finance approve March 9, 2021 meeting minutes - as presented

VOICE VOTE: UNANIMOUS;

MOTION CARRIES

5. Review of Reports:

- a. **Monthly Tax Collection Report:** Kelsey Allard presented Tax Collector's Reports:

- 96.83% 2019 Grand List taxes collected
- \$134,052.78 Prior year taxes collected
- \$40,664.20 Interest and lien fees collected

- b. **Monthly Board of Selectmen Income & Expense Report:**

Income: Reviewed FY20-21 Income Report as submitted. No issues.

Expense: Reviewed FY 20-21 Expense Report as submitted. No issues

- c. **Monthly Board of Education (BOE) Report:** Peter Calvert reviewed FY19-20 & FY20-21 end-of-year budget numbers. There was discussion about current and future COVID related expenses; and state and local government re-imbursements. It is anticipated there will be considerable shortfalls within the FY 20-21 budget.

- d. **Monthly Selectman's Report:**

Murphy Road Widening Project: Bid documents due back May 25, 2021. Pautipaug Area scheduled to receive chip sealing.

6. Correspondence: N/A

7. Unfinished Business:

a. Approval/Review Request Proposal Submittals Audit Services FY 2021, 2022, & 2023

MOTION #2 (04.13.21): made by made by Veronica Calvert SECONDED BY Nate Boyden that the Board of Finance approve Hoyt, Filippetti & Malaghan for Audit Services FY 2021, 2022, & 2023 at an approximate cost of \$33,000 (year 1 of multi-year contract)

VOICE VOTE: UNANIMOUS;

MOTION CARRIES

8. New Business:

a. Presentation Board of Selectmen Budget Fiscal Year 2021-2022: Reviewed as presented – dated April 8, 2021.

b. Presentation Board of Education Budget Fiscal Year 2021-2022: Reviewed as presented April 13, 2021.

* Richard Weingart entered the meeting at this point.

c. Discussion 2020 Grand List: Charlie Grant noted at this point the Town has lost some revenue in terms of taxes/personal property/asset loss.

9. Public Comments: N/A

10. Adjournment:

MOTION #3 (04.13.21): made by Susan Dombrowski SECONDED BY Nate Boyden that the Board of Finance adjourn the meeting at 8:23 p.m.

VOICE VOTE: UNANIMOUS;

MOTION CARRIES

Respectfully submitted,

Sherry Pollard,
Board Secretary