



BOARD OF FINANCE

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MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING

Tuesday, March 21, 2023 at 7:00 pm - Hybrid Meeting

Clifford J. Hurgin Municipal Center, 1 School St., Bethel, CT, Meeting Room B

Zoom: <https://zoom.us/j/2980076324> Meeting ID (2980076324).

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PRESENT: Chairperson Nicholas Ellis, Cynthia McCorkindale, John Lennon, Will Duff, and Bobbi Jo Beers. Comptroller: Brad Hering. Attending via Zoom was: Dalene Foster, Assistant Comptroller Sebbie Preston, and Dr. Christine Carver.

ABSENT: Bob Manfreda

Call to Order/ Pledge of Allegiance: Nick Ellis called the meeting to order at 7:00pm and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Cynthia McCorkindale read the FOI Policy to the Board.

Correspondence: Print out of emails received from:

- Robert Jackson at 26 Deepwood Drive
- Jan de Bakker at 7 Pleasant Street

Consideration of approval of Board of Finance Regular Meeting Minutes from January 10, 2023

Motion made by Bobbi Jo Beers, and seconded by John Lennon, to approve the minutes as written. Vote: Abstention, Cynthia McCorkindale and Will Duff. All others voted in favor. Motion carries.

Consideration of approval of Board of Finance Special Meeting Minutes from February 9, 2023

Motion made by Bobbi Jo Beers, and seconded by Will Duff, to approve the minutes as written. All in favor. Motion carries.

Consideration of approval of Board of Finance Special Meeting Minutes from February 14, 2023

Motion made by Bobbi Jo Beers, and seconded by Will Duff, to approve the minutes as written. All in favor. Motion carries.

Consideration of approval of Board of Finance Special Meeting Minutes from February 21, 2023

Motion made by Will Duff, and seconded by John Lennon, to approve the minutes as written. Vote: Abstention, Bobbi Jo Beers. All others voted in favor. Motion carries.

Consideration of approval of Board of Finance Special Meeting Minutes from February 28, 2023

Motion made by Will Duff, and seconded by Bobbi Jo Beers, to approve the minutes as written. All in favor. Motion carries.

Consideration of approval of Board of Selectmen request to take \$11,500. from the CNR fund for the Fleet Maintenance purchase of a gas pump and software

Motion made by Will Duff to open discussion for approval, and seconded by Cynthia McCorkindale. Discussion ensued. Vote, all in favor for unanimous approval.

Comptroller's Report:

Comptroller Heering went over the report. Discussion ensued. Motion made by John Lennon, and seconded by Bobbi Jo Beers, to accept the Comptroller's Report as written. Vote, all in favor. Motion carries.

Consideration of salaries of municipal officials: Registrar of Voters, Treasurer, Town Clerk, Selectmen, and First Selectman, in accordance with the Bethel Town Charter §C10-9

Nick Ellis mentioned the topic was added to the agenda in error. No action taken.

Consideration of the 2023 – 2024 Budget Public Hearing

Nick Ellis opened the floor for discussion that started with Dr. Carver. Discussion ensued.

Motion made by John Lennon for the \$500,000 reduction from the old total of \$53,659,164 from Board of Education account number 70-450 resulting in a new total of \$53,159,164, and seconded by Cynthia McCorkindale. Vote, all in favor. Motion carries.

Motion made by John Lennon for the \$50,000 reduction from the old total of \$2,593,060 from Utilites account number 10-410 line 5321 resulting in a new total of \$2,543,060, and seconded by Cynthia McCorkindale. Vote, all in favor. Motion carries.

Motion made by John Lennon for the new Utilities Total of \$2,874,928 compared to the old total of \$2,924,928, and seconded by Will Duff. Vote, all in favor. Motion carries.

Motion made by Will Duff for the new Total Town budget of \$35,572,089 compared to the old total of \$35,622,089, and seconded by Bobbi Jo Beers. Vote, all in favor. Motion carries.

Motion made by John Lennon for the new Total Budget of \$88,731,253 compared to the old total of \$89,281,253, and seconded by Will Duff. Vote, all in favor. Motion carries.

Motion made by Nick Ellis, and seconded by Bobbi Jo Beers, to adjourn the meeting at 7:35pm. Vote, all in favor. Motion carries.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kasey Galbis". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Kasey Galbis
Recording Secretary