



BOARD OF FINANCE

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MINUTES OF SPECIAL JOINT MEETING with the Board of Selectmen

Tuesday, February 25, 2025 at 7:00 pm - Hybrid Meeting
Clifford J. Hurgin Municipal Center, General Purpose Room, 1 School St.,
Bethel, CT

Present:

Chair Nick Ellis, Will Duff, John Lennon, Bob Manfreda, James Hancock, Cynthia McCorkindale, and Karen Foster (arrived at 7:05pm). Also in attendance were all members of the Board of Selectmen, Comptroller Brad Heering and Assistant Comptroller Sebbie Preston

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Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance:

Board of Finance Chair, Nick Ellis, and First Selectman Carter called the special meeting to order at 7:00pm and led the Boards in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Correspondence: None

Consideration of approval of special joint meeting minutes from February 18, 2025:

Motion made by Nick Ellis, and seconded by Will Duff, to accept the special joint meeting minutes from 2/18/2025, as written. Vote, all in favor. Motion carries.

2025 - 2026 Department Budget Presentations:

20-360 Police Department

Request \$6,666,233

Police Chief, Steve Pugner, Captain Burnes, and Police Commission chair Tony Rubino presented the request and noted a 6.31% increase. Capital requests were discussed. Discussion ensued.

70-450 Board of Education

Request \$59,377,489

Superintendent of Bethel Public Schools Dr. Carver, Director of Finance and Business Operations Jen Variale, and Scott Clayton Board of Education chair, presented the request and noted an 8.45% increase. Capital requests were discussed. Discussion ensued.

70-460 Board of Education Maintenance

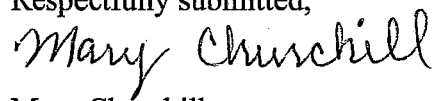
Request \$728,744

Superintendent of Bethel Public Schools Dr. Carver, Director of Finance and Business Operations Jen Variale, and Scott Clayton Board of Education chair, presented the request and noted an 38.54% increase.

Adjourn:

Will Duff made a motion to adjourn at 8:41pm, which was seconded by Bob Manfreda. Vote, all in favor. Motion carries.

Respectfully submitted,



Mary Churchill
Recording Secretary