



RTM Ways & Means Committee

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WAYS AND MEANS SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES APRIL 11, 2023 @ 7:00 p.m.

There was a Special Meeting of the Ways and Means Committee on Tuesday April 11, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. at the Branford Community House, 46 Church Street, Branford, CT. In attendance were Representatives Barron, Black, Conklin, Erlanger, and Healy. Also in attendance were Representative Sires, Prete, Hynes, Everson and Twohill, Jim Finch, Margaret Lubberda, Heather Wells-Sweeney, Alex Palluzzi, and Richard Shanahan.

1. To approve the minutes of the February meeting.

Not done at Special Meetings.

2. To act upon budgets from the following departments:

Principal Debt Service.	Jim Finch
Interest Debt Service	
Contingency	
Conservation and Environment.....	Heather Wells-Sweeney
Recreation Department.	Alex Palluzzi.
Parks and Open Space Authority.	Richard Shanahan
Branford Cable Television.	Jamie Cosgrove
Board of Finance.	Jim Finch
Fiscal Services.	Jim Finch
Public Celebration.	Jim Finch
Sewer Assessment Fund.	Jim Finch
Pensions and Contributions.	Jim Finch/Margaret Lubberda
Employee Group Insurance.	Jim Finch/Margaret Lubberda
Municipal Insurance.	Jim Finch/Margaret Lubberda

Presentations were heard from all the departments with the exception of Conservation and Environment and Branford Cable Television. Discussions on each presentation were had.

3. To consider, and if appropriate, approve the following transfers in the current year to reduce tax requirements in the FY2024 requested budget:

General Fund Contingency Transfer

From: 10149040-588802	Contingency	\$39,500
To: 10141190-599150	Technology Acquisitions-Copiers	\$39,500

Motion was made by Representative Black to approve transfer and seconded by Representative Erlanger. Passed 5-0.

Transfers from Fund Balance

Increase: 10190000-480296	Fund Balance	\$646,000
Increase: 10150000-599110	Transfer Out-Capital Fund 700	\$646,000

Transfers Capital Fund 700

Increase: 700-90000-490010	Transfer In	\$646,000
Increase: 700-48000-579400-23xx	BOE Security System	\$646,000

Motion was made by Representative Black to re-refer and seconded by Representative Conklin. Passed 5-0.

RESOLVED: That the Ways and Means committee recommends to the RTM an appropriation from undesignated fund balance of \$646,000 to fund an appropriation for a school security system. This appropriation increases the Fiscal year 2023 General Fund budget from \$124,821,065 to \$125,467,065.

Coastal Resiliency Fund

Increase: 700-90000-480296-23xx	Fund Balance Transfer	\$100,000
Increase: 740-43050-533280-23xx	Cattle Crossing Design and Permitting	\$100,000

Motion was made by Representative Black to approve and seconded by Representative Conklin. Passed 5-0.

RESOLVED: That the Ways and Means committee recommends to the RTM an appropriation of \$100,000 in the Coastal Resiliency Fund. This appropriation will be funded through an appropriation from fund balance.

4. Motion for adjournment.

Motion was made by Representative Black to adjourn at 8:38 p.m. and seconded by Representative Conklin.

Respectfully submitted,

Kevin Healy
Chair