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## Branford Representative Town Meeting April 19, 2023



## **Meeting Minutes**

1. Roll Call:

Representatives Present: Alfone, Amore, Anderson, Barron, Black, Brooks, Conklin, Everson, Erlanger, Flanigan, Greenberg (virtual), Healy, Hentschel, Hynes, Ingraham, Maresca, Prete, Shrestha, Sires, Stepanek, Sullivan, Twohill Representatives Absent: Wells, Witkowski, Verderame, Torelli, Riccio, Laich, Kelly (resigned), Bonenberger 22 members were present Ex-Officio Present: 1st Selectman Cosgrove

- 2. Moderator Flanigan led the body in the Pledge of Allegiance
- 3. Rep Everson moved that Rep Sullivan serves as the temporary Clerk. Rep Ingraham 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. 20 yes Rep Brooks and Rep Sullivan voted no Motion carried.
- 4. Rep Sullivan took the Roll Call listed above
- 5. To consider, and if appropriate adopt a policy for virtual meetings into our Town Meeting Rules. Rep Black reported on committee efforts and made a motion to re-refer, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Rep Brooks. Motion to re-refer is unanimous in favor.
- 6. To consider and if appropriate approve the following FY 23 budget transfer request from the Assessor:

From Regular Wages & Salaries \$20, 617
To Overtime \$20, 617

Rep Twohill gave a committee report from Admin Services. The committee voted in favor of the transfer and this was put as a motion to the full RTM. The RTM voted to approve the transfer 22-0

7. To consider and if appropriate approve the following FY23 budget transfer request from the Tax Collector

From Tax Refunds \$19960

To Overtime \$19960

Rep Twohill gave the committee report from Admin Services, where the committee voted in favor of the transfer. This was put as a motion to the full RTM. The RTM voted to approve the transfer 22-0

8. To consider and if appropriate approve a request from the Director of Human Services to change the Crime analyst position to Manger of Police Accreditation, Crim Research and Special Projects, and the corresponding salary increase.

From Contingency \$2615

To Regular Wages & Salaries \$2615

Rep Conklin reported from Public Services Committee where the committee voted in favor of the transfer. This was put as a motion to the full RTM. The RTM voted to approve this transfer and position change 22-0

9. TO consider and if appropriate approve a request from the 1<sup>st</sup> Selectman for a salary increase for the Director of the Animal Shelter.

From Contingency \$4580

TO Transfer Out Animal Shelter Fund 206 \$4580

Increase Operating Transfer \$4580

Increase to Regular wages & Salaries \$4580

Rep Conklin reported from the Public Services Committee where the members voted in favor of the transfers and increase. This was put as a motion to the Full RTM. The RTM voted to approve this transfer and salary increase 21-0, Rep Black abstained from the vote.

10. To consider and if appropriate approve the following FY23 budget transfer request for Human Services Fund and Counseling Center as follows:

Increase fund balance Human Services Fund \$64000

Transfer Out to Capital Fund 700 \$64000

And

Increase Transfer in to Human Services Fund \$64000

To Electric Vehicle \$45000

Furniture \$19000

Rep Twohill reported out from the Admin Services Committee where the vote was in favor of the transfers and increased expenditure. This was put as a motion to the full RTM. The full RTM voted in favor of these transfers and expenditures 22-0.

11. To consider and if appropriate approve the following transfers in FY23 to reduce tax requirements in the FY 2024 requested budget:

From Contingency \$39500

To Technology Acquisitions – Copiers \$39500

Rep Healy reported out for Ways and Means Committee where the members voted in favor of this transfer. This was put as a motion to the full RTM. The full RTM voted in favor of this transfer 22-0.

Transfer from Fund Balance of \$646000

To Transfer Out – CapitalFund 700 \$646000

Rep Healy reported from Ways and Means Committee that no one attended the meeting to present the item. The committee voted to re-refer the item. This was put as a motion to the full RTM. The full RTM voted in favor of rereferral 22-0.

Transfer increase from Fund Balance transfer to Coastal Resiliency Fund \$100000

Increase Cattle Crossing Design and Permitting \$100000

Rep Healy reported out of Ways and Means Committee. The committee voted in favor of this transfer. This was put as a motion to the full RTM. The full RTM voted in favor of the transfer 22-0.

12. A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Rep Ingraham and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Rep Everson. The full RTM voted unanimously in favor of adjournment. The meeting adjourned at 8:27 PM.