



RTM Ways & Means Committee

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TOWN OF BRANFORD

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WAYS AND MEANS REGULAR MEETING ~~AGENDA~~ MINUTES February 1, 2023 @ 7:00 p.m.

A regular meeting of the Ways and Means committee was held on Wednesday, February 1, 2023, at 7:01 p.m. at the Branford Community House, 46 Church Street, Branford, CT. In attendance were Representative Barron, Representative Black, Representative Conklin, Representative Erlanger, and Representative Healy. Also, in attendance were Representative Twohill, Representative Sires, and Representative Everson.

1. To approve the minutes of the December 7, 2022, meeting.

A motion was made by Representative Barron and seconded by Representative Black to approve the minutes. All members present were in favor.

2. To consider, and if appropriate, approve the following transfer for the Registrar of Voters:

From:		
10149040-588802	Contingency	(\$57,612)
To:		
10141120-566900	Other Supplies	7,547
10141120-517630	Election Workers	45,925
10141120-566920	Meal Supplies	174
10141120-544300	Repairs and Maintenance	3,211
10141120-518000	Overtime	370
10141120-588090	Travel	<u>385</u>
Total		\$57,612

A motion was made by Representative Black and seconded by Representative Barron. The motion passed 4-0-1.

3. To consider, and if appropriate, approve the following transfers and resolution for the Open Space Fund:

Open Space Fund Transfer

Increase:

20545050-480296 Appropriation from Fund Balance \$60,000

To:

20545050-599110 Transfer Out 700 Fund 60,000

A motion was made by Representative Black and seconded by Representative Erlanger. The motion passed 5-0.

Capital Fund – Appropriation Increase

Increase:

70090000-490010 Transfer In \$60,000

Increase:

70045050-579480-23310 Parks & Open Space Repairs/Improvements
60,000

RESOLVED: That the Ways and Means committee recommends to the RTM an increase in the total appropriation for the fiscal year 2022-2023 Open Space Fund Budget from \$63,051 to \$123,051. The additional appropriation will be funded from the Open Space fund balance and be used to fund the Pine Gutter Brook Restoration Project.

Open Space Transfer Request

From:

20545050-566900 Other Supplies \$ 3,000
20545050-579400 Capital Outlay 1,500

To:

20545050-544300 Purchased Services Repair and Maintenance 4,500

4. To consider and act on the following proposed resolution:

“A RESOLUTION AMENDING “RESOLUTION APPROPRIATING \$2,750,000 FOR MAIN STREET ROAD AND RELATED IMPROVEMENTS AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUE OF \$2,750,000 BONDS OF THE TOWN TO MEET SAID APPROPRIATION AND PENDING THE ISSUANCE THEREOF THE MAKING OF TEMPORARY BORROWINGS FOR SUCH PURPOSE” TO INCREASE THE SCOPE OF THE PROJECT AND INCREASE THE APPROPRIATION AND BOND AUTHORIZATION THEREIN BY AN ADDITIONAL \$5,550,000” and to recommend the resolution for adoption by the Representative Town Meeting.

5. To consider, and if appropriate, approve a request from the Town Engineer to increase the Main Street Reconstruction appropriation for Consulting Services from \$250,000 to \$650,000.

A discussion was had. Representative Black made a motion to accept the amended

resolution and appropriation and seconded by Representative Conklin. The motion passed 5-0.

6. To hear a presentation regarding a funding strategy for a Solid Waste Sinking Fund and, if appropriate, approve the following transfers and resolutions:

Resolution for Creating the Solid Waste and Recycling Equipment Fund:

Resolved: The Ways and Means committee authorizes and recommends to the RTM the establishment of the Solid Waste and Recycling Equipment Fund Sinking Fund.

ARPA Fund Appropriation

Resolved: The Ways and Means committee recommends to the RTM an increase in the FY2023 ARPA Fund budget from \$2,727,000 to \$3,652,000. This appropriation will be used to fund single stream recycling bins and will be funded through an appropriation from the ARPA fund balance.

Increase:

26090000-480296-23813 Fund Balance Transfer \$925,000

Increase:

26041020-579250-23813 Recycling and Solid Waste Equipment 925,000

Capital Transfer

From:

70043040-579400-22330 Transfer Station Improvements \$323,101

70043040-599139-22330 Transfer to Fund 721 323,101

General Fund Contingency Transfer

From:

10149040-588802 Contingency \$100,000

To:

10150000-599139 Transfer to Fund 721 \$100,000

A discussion was had. Representative Conklin made a motion to approve item number six as presented and seconded by Representative Healy. The motion passed 4-0-1.

7. Motion for adjournment.

Representative Black and Seconded by Representative made a motion Barron at 7:27 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kevin Healy
Chair