

**BOLTON BOARD OF FINANCE
SPECIAL MEETING
APRIL 26, 2022 – 9:00 P.M.
HYBRID MEETING VIA ZOOM WEBSITE PLATFORM &
TOWN HALL, 222 BOLTON CENTER RD, BOLTON
MINUTES**

Board of Finance Members Present: Chairman Emily Bradley, Vice-Chair Robert Munroe, Charles Danna Jr., Alex Rivera, Kristen Gourley, Mather Clarke, and Ross Lally.

Board of Selectmen Members Present: First Selectman Pam Sawyer, Interim Town Administrator Jim Rupert, and Deputy First Selectman Robert Morra.

Board of Education Members Present: Superintendent Kristin Heckt and Rhea Klein.

Staff Present: Chief Financial Officer Jill Collins and Board Clerk Ashleigh Johnson.

- 1) **Call to Order:** E. Bradley called this meeting to order at 9:15 P.M.

- 2) **Public Participation:** E. Bradley called for public participation, she asked everyone if they would be willing to change the meeting on June 16, 2022 to June 22, 2022 because of a conflict of her schedule. K. Gourley MOVED to approve. R. Lally SECONDED. By roll call vote MOTION CARRIED 6:0:0.

- 3) **Ongoing Business:**
 - a. **Discussion on FY2022/2023 Revenues & Expenditures:**

E. Bradley began by going over what was discussed in the Public Hearing.

R. Munroe asked K. Heckt if the BOE have had any further clarity on finances. She responded that they will be reviewing it further and will be deciding if they have any additional funds to give back. They have encountered issues with the septic that they are unsure the cost of.

E. Bradley asked BOS if they have a timeline in which they will have decisions made on their give backs as well. R. Morra responded that they will be meeting on Tuesday.

K. Gourley asked if we have any plans utilized to answer questions about the budget from the Public Hearing. A. Rivera suggested we add a FAQ section on the website to answer the most frequently asked questions from the hearing.

K. Gourley asked if we would be doing a CVC interview. E. Bradley responded that she would be willing to do it and she then explained how it has been done in the past.

E. Bradley mentions the raise in the insurance costs from 8% to 10.5% and the motor vehicle cap, and the plan for the state to provide us with the rest of the offset revenue. She asked if the Board would like to continue to plan this budget without the cap, or if they would like to start planning with the cap. The Board has agreed to continue planning the budget without the possible MV cap.

K. Heckt says we potentially have a \$200,000 give back from BOE.

b. Budget Calendar:

The next meeting is May 5, 2022, this will be the last meeting to come up with the revised budget to send to referendum.

c. Consider and Possibly act on: BOF Meetings via Electronic Communications Policy:

E. Bradley shared the revised BOF Meeting via Electronic Communications Policy with the Board and asked the Board if there were any further edits they would like to include. There were no other edits.

By roll call, vote passes UNANIMOUSLY 6:0:0.

4) New Business:

a. Consider and Possibly act on: FY2022 Revised Budget Revenues:

b. Consider and possibly act on: Ballot Question:

5) Adjournment: E. Bradley adjourned this meeting at 10:30 P.M.

Next Meetings:

May 5, 2022 – Special Meeting (if necessary)

May 19, 2022 – Regular Meeting

Other Important Dates:

May 10, 2022 – BOF must adopt the budget on or before this date

May 24, 2022 – Budget Referendum

Respectfully submitted by Ashleigh N. Johnson, Board Clerk

Ashleigh N. Johnson

PLEASE SEE THE MINUTES OF SUBSEQUENT MEETINGS FOR THE APPROVAL OF THESE MINUTES AND ANY CORRECTIONS HERETO.