

**TOWN OF BOLTON
FINANCE COMMITTEE
SPECIAL MEETING
7:15 P.M., WEDNESDAY, JUNE 11, 2025
*TOWN HALL/ZOOM**

Finance Committee Members Present at Town Hall/Zoom: Chair Ross Lally, Member Amanda Gordon, Member Rhea Klein, Member Tyler Egner, Member Ashley Phelan, Member Robert Morra. Absent was Member Chris Connelly.

Staff Present Via Town Hall/Zoom: Chief Financial Officer Jill Collins, Town Administrator Jim Rupert, Selectmen Rodney Fournier, Board of Education Superintendent Kristin Heckt, Incoming Board of Education Superintendent David Caruso, Board Clerk Mary Johnston.

Others Present Via Town Hall/Zoom: Ashley Paggioli, Matthew Perreira, Bruce Dixon, James DeMorro, Jason Vincent

1. Call to Order

R. Lally called the meeting to order at 7:17 p.m.

R. Lally advised the Committee he will not vote on agenda items due to a conflict of interest.

2. Public Participation:

Krista Kerin, 72 Mount Sumner Dr., asked how many school children are currently in the system. K. Heckt replied there are currently 683 students enrolled and are projecting 694 students in the next school year. K. Kerin asked for the breakdown between elementary and high school. K. Heckt stated K-Grade 5 is 314, Grade 6-8 is 162 and High School is 218.

3. Approval of Minutes

3a. May 21, 2025, Special Meeting

R. Morra stated in Section 4b., the second to last sentence should be broken out to \$100,000 from the Town Budget and \$58,000 from the Capital Budget for a total of \$158,000. A. Gordon stated in Section 3b. "Silaramo" should be corrected to "Filaramo". T. Egner stated in Section 2 under Public Participants "Saffron" should be corrected to "Szafran". R. Morra MOVED to approve the May 21, 2025 Special Meeting Minutes with corrections noted. R. Klein SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 5:0:0.

4. Ongoing Business

4a. Discussion on FY2024/2025 Revenues & Expenditures

No additional information.

4b. Discussion on FY2025/2026 Revenues & Expenditures

A.Phelan MOVED to recognize the additional Revenues in the amount of \$55,013 for FY25.
A. Gordon SECONDED the motion. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 5:0:0.

4c. Consider and possibly act on: Ballot question

A.Gordon MOVED to recognize an additional \$63,000 for FY25 Revenues. R. Morra SECONDED the motion. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 5:0:0.

A.Gordon MOVED to recognize an additional \$70,000 in FY25 Revenues from the Board of Selectmen. R. Morra SECONDED the motion. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 5:0:0.

A.Gordon MOVED to cut \$252,536 from the FY26 Budget for the Board of Education. R. Morra SECONDED the motion. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 5:0:0.

R. Morra MOVED to adopt an annual budget for the Town of Bolton in the amount of \$26,598,982. A. Gordon SECONDED the motion. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 5:0:0.

4d. Consider and possibly act on: Additional meeting date

A.Gordon MOVED to set a Special Meeting on Wednesday, June 25, 2025 at 7:15 p.m. R. Morra SECONDED the motion. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 5:0:0.

4e. Discussion on next steps should the budget not pass again

5. New Business

5a. Consider and possibly act on: Setting the real estate and personal property mil rate for FY 2026.

No action was taken.

5b. Consider and possibly act on: Setting the motor vehicle mil rate for FY 2026.

No action was taken.

6. Adjournment

A. Gordon MOVED to adjourn the meeting at 8:59 P.M. R. Morra SECONDED the motion. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY: 5:0:0.

Respectfully submitted by Mary J. Johnston

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

SEE ATTACHMENTS UNDER SEPARATE COVER.