



Town of Madison, CT

Board of Finance

SUBJECT TO APPROVAL

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Finance held on April 28, 2021, via Zoom Online Meeting.

Present: Jean Fitzgerald, Chair,
Ken Kaminsky, Fillmore McPherson,
Justin Murphy, John Picard

Also present: Stacy Nobitz, Finance Director

Chairwoman Fitzgerald called the meeting to order at 7:28 p.m. immediately following the Budget Public Hearing.

REGULAR SESSION

1. Pledge of Allegiance. The Board of Finance recited the Pledge of Allegiance.
2. Discuss and take action to approve minutes of March 18, 2021. On motion made by Mr. Picard and seconded by Mr. McPherson, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of March 18, 2021 with a change to item 4: reference to \$38 million should be \$3.8 million.
3. Chairman's Comments.
Reserved for the end.
4. Citizen and Finance member comments:
None.
5. Discuss and take action to approve the Town of Madison budget for FY 2021-2022.

On a motion by Mr. McPherson and seconded by **Mr. Murphy** the Board of Finance voted to approve the final Town budget for FY 2021-2022 in the amount of **\$ 29,132,830.00** with four votes in favor and one abstention from Mr. Kaminsky.

6. Discuss and take action to approve the Board of Education budget for FY 2021-2022.

On a motion by Mr. McPherson and seconded by **Mr. Picard** the Board of Finance voted to approve the final Board of Education budget for FY 2021-2022 in the amount of **\$59,272,037** with four votes in favor and one abstention from Mr. Kaminsky.

7. Discuss and take action to modify a motion as follows: to Approve a Special Appropriation request in the amount of **\$42,000** to purchase electronic message boards for the Emergency Management Department to display public safety announcements; determined during the Budget Workshop cycle of the Board of Selectmen. This modified action will satisfy all requirements for a Town Meeting under State of Connecticut Executive Order 7S.

Ms. Nobitz summarized that this modified motion was to ensure that the process was followed appropriately for Special Appropriations under the current state Executive Orders.

On a motion by Mr. Picard and seconded by **Mr. Murphy** the Board of Finance unanimously voted to modify a motion as follows: to Approve a Special Appropriation request in the amount of **\$42,000** to purchase electronic message boards for the Emergency Management Department to display public safety announcements; determined during the Budget Workshop cycle of the Board of Selectmen.

8. Discuss and take action to approve a Special Appropriation request from the Department of Public Works in the amount of \$500,000 to fund the Highway Vehicle Leasing Program which has been modified to reflect the recommendations of the CCM Highway Vehicle Study conducted in December 2020. This action will satisfy all requirements for a Town Meeting under State of Connecticut Executive Order 7S.

Fillmore McPherson asked for confirmation that the funding would come from the Unassigned Fund Balance. The Board reviewed with First Selectwoman Lyons the process for both this and the next item and also the timing impetus for these purchases. As part of this plan, the Town is purchasing three trucks upfront and will then phase in the purchase of the next three trucks for a total purchase of six large dump trucks..

On a motion by Mr. Murphy and seconded by **Mr. Picard** the Board of Finance unanimously voted to approve a Special Appropriation request from the Department of Public Works in the amount of \$500,000 to fund the Highway Vehicle Leasing Program which has been modified to reflect

the recommendations of the CCM Highway Vehicle Study conducted in December 2020.

9. Discuss and take action to approve a CIP Special Appropriation request from the Finance Department in the amount of \$161,181 to fund various Capital Project Funds; pending Board of Selectman Approval. This action will satisfy all requirements for a Town Meeting under State of Connecticut Executive Order 7S.

Ms. Nobitz stated that the CIP Committee submitted a program that would increase the funding by the \$161k. This amount is broken out into various capital project funds and the total sum would go into the CIP to infuse into the program for one year and keep the capital budget flat for the next fiscal year.

On a motion by Mr. McPherson and seconded by **Mr. Murphy** the Board of Finance unanimously voted to approve a CIP Special Appropriation request from the Finance Department in the amount of \$161,181 to fund various Capital Project Funds; pending Board of Selectman Approval.

10. Review Financials.

Ms. Nobitz stated that in addition to the items for the next meeting, Departments will be bringing forward any Line Item Transfers and Special Appropriations for the end of the year budget balancing.

11. Liaison Reports and Report from First Selectman.

Fillmore McPherson	Library
Justin Murphy	Senior Center
First Selectwoman Lyons	American Rescue Plan funding update to come in May

12. Citizen comments.

None.

13. Adjourn. There being no objections, the Board motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lauren Rhines
Town Services Coordinator / Risk Manager