

MIDDLEFIELD BOARD OF FINANCE
405 Main Street
Middlefield, Connecticut 06455

Minutes of the April 19, 2022 – Special BOF Meeting Budget Workshop #9
 *** *Not Approved At the time of Filing* ***

Michael Skelps, Chairman, called the workshop of the Board of Finance to order at 7:00 pm.

Attendance:

Members		Others	
X	Skelps, Michael	X	Rusilowicz, Al
X	Kowal, Melissa	X	Anne Olszewski, Tax Collector
X	Lowry, David		
X	Boyle, Kevin		.
X	Lee Matterazzo		
X	Wolak, Mary		

A=Absent

X=Present

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Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Approval of the Agenda

Mary made motion to approve the agenda as submitted. Lee seconded. Motion was approved unanimously.

Public Comment

None

FY23 Budget and Discussion

Review and Discussion of the Tax Collector’s Suspense List

The list of changes from the First Selectman’s budget identified to date was reviewed. Library budget was discussed. Lee identified this as the fourth highest item in the municipal budget. \$21755 reduction

from proposed budget still gives them an increase of 4.5% from FY22 to keep them in line with other department increases.

State Motor Vehicle Tax Grant was discussed. The \$127K from the state was discussed. Because of ongoing budget negotiations in the legislature and the associated uncertainty, it was discussed to reduce the anticipated revenue to 50% of this number. Sale of town property was increased \$60K because the Kickapoo property would be put up for sale, plus there is an anticipated sale of an old fire truck.

Rental of Town property was reduced by \$34,700 as the cell tower rental income will end for two years until a new rental agreement is negotiated for FY25. CIRMA equity distribution was increased from \$3,000 to \$5,000 based on recent distribution amounts. Interest income was increased from \$12,500 to \$20,000 based on rising interest rates.

Mary made a motion to approve the adjusted budget figures as of 4/19/22 as discussed for FY23 to be presented at the 4/21/22 public hearing. Dave seconded. Motion was approved unanimously.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn was made by Mary, seconded by Melissa. Meeting adjourned at 8:22 pm.