

TOWN OF CANAAN
BOARD OF FINANCE, REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, MAY 10, 2021 @ 6:30PM
Zoom

Attendees: Dick Heinz, Joel Jones, Steve Dean, Dan Silverman. Alternates: Daly Reville. Absent: Lou Timolat, John Allyn, Eric Carlson
Also Present: Henry Todd, Greg Marlowe, Dave Barger, Linda Paviol, Pat Mechare BOE & other resident attendees & news media Ruth Epstein

Call to order 6:31 by Co-chair Dick Heinz

AGENDA

Public Comment Communications -
Interdepartmental Informational Communications

Lou designated Corinna Fleming – both are absent

MOTION BY Heinz, seconded by Dean to seat Daly Reville in place of regular member John Allyn; unanimous.

Add to agenda:

Kellogg: need for furnace & Need for additional funds for technology from reserve accounts

MOTION by Heinz, seconded by Joel to add the above items to agenda; unanimous.

Reports

Secretary's Report:

MOTION by Dean, seconded by Silverman to accept as presented the minutes of the April 12 regular meeting minutes; passed, 1 abstention

MOTION by Silverman, seconded by Reville to approve the minutes of the April 26 BOF Special Meeting; unanimous.

Treasurer Reports:

MOTION by Jones, seconded by Dean to accept the March Treasurer's report as presented; unanimous.

MOTION by Reville, seconded by Dean to accept the April Treasurer's report as presented; unanimous.

Tax Collector's Report:

MOTION by Jones, seconded by Silverman, to accept as presented the April Tax Collectors report; unanimous.

Board of Education's Report:

MOTION by Dean, seconded by Reville to accept the March Board of Education report as presented; unanimous.

MOTION by Heinz, seconded by Jones to accept as presented the April Board of Education report; unanimous.

First Selectman's Report

- a. Discussion of Community Economic Director
- b. Discussion of Values statement.
- c. Aquarion sale finalized and expected financial gain
- d. Change in COG leadership
- e. Discussion of Potential plan for old firehouse.
- f. Changeover to Yucatech complete
- g. Septic system at 107 Main Street
- h. Town meeting addition of rate changes for P+Z-must be done this way because of town ordinance
- i. Sexton change
- j. Memorial Day Ceremonies

k. Setting dates for town hearing and town meeting-BOF sets these

Old Business

1. Discuss and act on proposal by Selectmen and Treasurer on how the Board of Finance would like the Town of Canaan to handle recharacterization of amounts and purposes within Departmental sub-lines.

MOTION by Heinz, seconded by Reville to table Old Business until future Regular meeting; unanimous.

Suspense Items

New Business

- 1.** Review/amend Educational Spending Plan for 2021-2022. **MOTION by Heinz, seconded by Jones that the BOF send the BOE budget as presented to town hearing; unanimous. See BOF minutes of BOE budget presentation for spending plan**
- 2.** Review/amend Municipal Spending Plan for 2021-2022. **MOTION by Jones, seconded by Silverman that the BOF send the Municipal budget as presented to town hearing; unanimous. See BOF minutes of BOE budget presentation for spending plan**
- 3.**
MOTION by Heinz, seconded by Reville, to modify the Economic Development Coordinator salary line by **reducing to prior year 19/20 amount of 2,000; failed, 1 abstention.**
- 4.** Approve Municipal and Educational Spending Plans for 2021-2022 for referral to Town Hearing. **MOTION by Reville, seconded by Silverman, that the BOF recommend the BOE spending plan to public hearing; unanimous. See BOF minutes of BOE budget presentation for spending plan**
- 5.** Set a date for presentation at Town Hearing of the Municipal and Educational Spending Plans for 2021-2022 fiscal year.

MOTION by Heinz, seconded by Jones to have public hearing on May 21 and BOF Special Meeting Monday May 24th at Town Hall at 6: 30pm , and plan Town Meeting for Friday June 4 at 7pm at a location TBD; unanimous.

MOTION by Heinz, seconded by to Jones; that the Special meeting on the 24th for the purpose the approving the Municipal and BOE spending plans for Town Meeting to be added to the agenda; unanimous.

Dan Silverman left prior to vote

- 6.** BOE request to add to Budget Approval Town Meeting
Heating: k-3 section; 55000-70000 account (reserve 89,000) will be almost 90,000. Need Town Meeting approval to remove funds from reserve accounts.
Technology acct: 5,000 from reserve and have 5,000 for tech for this year budget to go

MOITON by Heinz and seconded to recommend to town meeting the BOE request to upgrade the heating systems in the amount of 60,000 for the furnace replacement and Technology to town meeting from the reserve accounts; motion withdrawn – needs to go to next town meeting, not June 4th meeting

MOITN by Jones, seconded by Reville, meeting adjourned; unanimous.