

TOWN OF EAST HAMPTON
EAST HAMPTON, CT 06424
BOARD OF FINANCE
SPECIAL MEETING
Monday, July 23, 2018
Town Hall Meeting Room

Approved Minutes

Present: Michael Rose, Richard Brown, Janine Jiantonio, Alannah Coshow, Bridget McLennan, Barbara Moore and Ted Turner

Other attendee(s): Jeffery Jylkka: Director of Finance, Michael Maniscalco: Town Manager, Paul Smith: Superintendent of Schools

1-2. Chairman Rose called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Public Remarks on the 2018-2019 Budget

None

4. Discuss and Possible Recommendation on the 2018-2019 Budget for Town Council (Town Operations Only) – 3rd Referendum

Chairman Rose began the discussion by acknowledging that the wording of this actionable agenda item (Town Operations Only) hinders the Board's ability to make recommendation on items outside the scope of "Town Operations Only". He went on to state that since any Town Operation Recommendations would be dependent on recommendations related to out-of-scope items, discussion could still be had but another meeting with different agenda wording may be necessary in order to complete the 3rd Referendum recommendation process.

Discussion followed with continued differing opinions on why the Town Operations Budget did not pass at the 2nd referendum and what adjustments, if any, should be recommended for the third Referendum.

*Ms. Coshow made a motion to reduce every Town Operations Department's budget by .25%. The motion was seconded by Dr. Brown in order to allow for discussion. After discussion which included many Board members feeling the department budgets were already as lean as possible and acknowledgement of the long term impact of a one-time reduction like this, the motion went to a vote. **Vote: 1-6. Motion Failed.***

Dr. Brown made a motion to reduce the Public Works' current vehicle sinking fund (\$75,000) by \$15,000. The motion was seconded by Ms. Jiantonio.

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*After discussion which came back to the dependencies on out-of-scope items in order to vote on a complete budget, Mr. Turner made a motion to table the vote on Dr. Brown's motion until such time that a complete discussion of recommended items can be discussed. Mr. Turner's motion was seconded by Ms. Moore. **Vote: 7-0. Motion Passed.***

Chairman Rose closed the discussion by scheduling another Special Meeting of the Board of Finance to take place on Wednesday July 25, 2018 at 7:00pm with location TBD. Mr. Rose also stated that he would work with Mr. Jylkka on the appropriate wording for the Agenda to allow for all necessary recommendation to be made.

5. Adjournment:

The motion to adjourn made by Dr. Brown was seconded by Ms. Jiantonio.

Vote: 7-0. Motion Passed. Meeting adjourned at 7:41 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Renee Bafumi
Recording Secretary