

Board of Finance
TOWN OF SIMSBURY, CONNECTICUT
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
Monday, March 22, 2021 at 8:27 P.M.
Zoom Meeting/Simsbury Community Television Live Stream

PRESENT: Arthur House, Derek Peterson, Robert Pomeroy, Kevin Prell, and Linda Schofield.

ALSO PRESENT:

Eric Wellman, First Selectman; Sean Askham, Deputy First Selectman; Chris Peterson, Selectman, Jackie Battos, Selectman; Maria Capriola, Town Manager; Amy Meriwether, Finance Director; Melissa Appleby, Deputy Town Manager; Robert Decrescenzo, Town Attorney

Mr. Pomeroy opened the meeting by stating the primary purpose was to establish if a decision can be made to refer the proposed FY21/22 budget to the public hearing, tentatively scheduled for April 6, 2021

He summarized that the Board of Education budget has been reviewed by the Board of Finance with no amendments. The Board of Selectmen operating budget and the capital budget was reviewed, and recommended amendments were made on March 22nd, 2021

Ms. Schofield stated she was good with the recommended budgets but would also be comfortable having a discussion on moving the SPIRIT council funding request into this fiscal year.

MOTION: Ms. Schofield made a motion, effective March 22, 2021, to remove \$22,000, related the Spirit Council funding request, from the FY22 budget and have it be funded by FY21 year-end savings. Mr. House seconded the motion. It was discussed, all were in favor, and the motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Schofield said she was not ready to send the capital budget for public review as there needs to be a vote on Meadwood and she has additional comments on Latimer Lane.

Mr. Pomeroy reiterated that once these budgets got to public hearing they still have the opportunity to act further on them. There was a conversation around availability for the April 6th date to ensure a quorum and Mr. Pomeroy, Ms. Schofield, Mr. House, Mr. Peterson and Mr. Prell all said they will be there. Ms. Schofield said she was ok to wait until then to discuss further.

MOTION: Ms. Schofield made a motion to refer the Board of Finance budgets to the April 6, 2021, public hearing, which includes; the approved budget from the Board of Education, the amendments made to the Board of Selectmen budget on March 22, 2021, and the Board of Finance recommendation to take out \$22,000 for SPIRIT Council to be funded by FY21 year-end savings, and the recommended capital budgets from the Board of Education and the Board of Selectmen. Mr. Prell seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

Adjourn

MOTION: Mr. D. Peterson made a motion to adjourn at 8:36 P.M. Ms. Schofield seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
Marion Lynott
Commission Clerk