

**Finance Committee Meeting  
Meeting Minutes  
Wednesday, May 4, 2022, at 5:30 pm  
Bellingham Municipal Center  
Arcand Meeting Room**

Finance Committee Members Present: J. Allam (Chairman), J. Collamati (Vice-Chairman), K. Keppler, J. Kuzmeskas, J. McCarthy

Finance Committee Members Absent: A. Thorell, J. Flannery

Meeting Commenced: J. Collamati called the meeting to order at 5:37 pm

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J. Collamati made a motion to approve the Minutes from the April 4, 2022, Finance Committee Meeting, as submitted. J. Kuzmeskas seconded. Recommended 4/0.

J. Collamati made a motion to approve the Minutes from the April 11, 2022, Finance Committee Meeting, as submitted. K. Keppler seconded. Recommended 3/0. J. Kuzmeskas and J. McCarthy abstained from this motion.

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**Public Hearing:** Ms. MacKinnon discussed the following Articles, as listed below:

**Article 10 – Amend FY22 Annual Operating Budget** – Finance Committee Members were informed that this Article will be “Passed Over” at Town Meeting.

**Article 11 – Amend FY22 Trash Enterprise Budget** – Finance Committee Members were informed that this Article will be “Passed Over” at Town Meeting.

**Article 12 – Amend FY22 Water Enterprise Budget** – Finance Committee Members were informed that this Article will be “Passed Over” at Town Meeting.

**Article 13 – Amend FY22 Sewer Enterprise Budget** – Finance Committee Members were informed that this Article will be “Passed Over” at Town Meeting.

**Article 14 – Amend FY22 Stormwater Enterprise Budget** – Finance Committee Members were informed that this Article will be “Passed Over” at Town Meeting.

**Article 17 – Hartford Avenue Zoning Change** – Article 17 Petitioner was not present. J. Collamati made a motion for the Finance Committee to take “No Action” on this Article. K. Keppler seconded. Recommended no action be taken. 5/0.

**Article 18 – Marijuana Uses Overlay District** – K. Keppler made a motion for the Finance Committee to take “No Action” on this Article. J. Collamati seconded. Recommended no action be taken. 5/0.

**Article 21 – Acceptance of Roger Street as a Public Way** – A summary of this article was presented by the Town Administrator. J. Kuzmeskas made a motion to recommend this Article, as presented. K. Keppler seconded. Recommended 5/0.

**Article 25 – Transfer to Capital Investment Trust Fund** – Finance Committee Members were informed that this Article would be “Passed Over” at Town Meeting.

**Article 26 – Transfer to Group Insurance Trust Fund** - Finance Committee Members were informed that this Article would be “Passed Over” at Town Meeting.

**Article 27 – Unpaid Bills** - Finance Committee Members were informed that this Article would be “Passed Over” at Town Meeting.

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**Public Hearing:** Chief Daigle and Lieutenant Russell from the Police Department were present to request a Reserve Fund Transfer for FY22 in the amount of \$26,560. This request is to fund 4 Police Department Recruits to attend the Police Academy and provide the equipment and materials necessary for attending the Academy in the months of June and July.

K. Keppler made a motion to recommend the Transfer of \$26,560 from the Police Departments Reserve Fund Account to the Department Expenses Account. J. Kuzmeskas seconded. Recommended 5/0.

Ms. MacKinnon presented a request in the amount \$500,000 from Free Cash to the Snow and Ice Deficit Fund, as presented below:

Snow and Ice Deficit – Salt	\$315,000.00
Snow and Ice Deficit – Overtime	\$ 75,000.00
Snow and Ice Deficit – Supplies and Materials	\$ 35,000.00
Snow and Ice Deficit – Contracted Plow Services	\$ 75,000.00

K. Keppler made a motion to recommend the amount of \$500,000 from Free Cash to fund the Snow and Ice Deficit. J. Kuzmeskas seconded. Recommended 5/0.

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New Business, Emails, Correspondence, Bills:

The next Finance Committee Meeting will take place on Wednesday, May 11, 2022, at 5:30 pm, in the Arcand Meeting Room.

K. Keppler made a motion to approve the invoice for Finance Committee Clerk, Tina Griffin in the amount of \$318.32 for the month of April 2022. J. Kuzmeskas seconded. Recommended 5/0.

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J. Kuzmeskas made a motion to adjourn at 6:04 pm. Seconded by K. Keppler. Recommended 5/0.

Respectfully Submitted,

*Tina M. Griffin*

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