

Town of Easton  
Board of Finance - Minutes  
Date: March 5, 2019  
Time: 7:00 pm

Location: Easton Senior Center  
Meeting Type: Regular

Attendees: M Gachi, G Saunders, P Lindoerfer, R Cremin, A Kachele, T Brady, M Kot, A Laske

Absent: P Lannigan

Guests: C. Calvert (Finance Director), Adam Dunsby (1st Selectman), W. Bowditch (Treasurer), Bob Lessler (Selectman), Kristy Sagofsky (2nd Selectman)

Call to Order: 7:06pm

Item 1 approve minutes of Feb 5 2019 meeting

Motion (Second) Kachele (Cremin)

Result All in Favor

Follow up None

Item 2 Budget Overview - 1st Selectman Adam Dunsby

Notes: Average increase for Town Departments is 1.5%, discussion on LOCIP and spending funds on an annual basis on road work

Motion (Second) Kachele (Lasky) - Motion to add Emergency Management to Schedule

Result All in Favor

Follow Up None

Item 3

Review Budgets for the following Department:

A. Tax Collector - increase of 13.73% or \$19.7K due (\$10K) to certification of tax collector increase and other

B. Building Department - Decrease of \$18.9K or 12.94%, newer car last year and less repairs this year

C. Assessor and Board of Assessment Appeals- decrease of 2.92% or \$5.5K

D. Police (Communication, Police and Animal Control)

Animal Control decrease of 2.7% or \$3.5K

Communication - 2 cameras need to be replaced, salary increases and benefits for total increase of \$12.6K or 3.89%

Police - Increase of \$125K or 4% due to Benefit inc of \$48K, Spec Services Officer \$30K, Capital of \$26K and other

Emergency Management - decrease of \$2.1K or 13.3%

E. Tree Warden - ash trees need to come down along street right of ways since they are facing disease

F. Public Works, 660 Morehouse Road, Recycling, Street Lights

660 Morehouse - capital improvements of \$133K needed for a/c units

Recycling - now being charged for getting rid of recycling as opposed to

getting paid, state wants to mandate homeowner buying garbage bags  
 Street Lights - need to appropriate \$600 at year end to accommodate  
 additional expense  
 Public Works - salary and benefits \$55K, operating \$32K, capital equipment  
 \$30K  
 G. Park and Recreation - discussion on outsourcing grass cutting

Motion (Second)  
 Result

None  
 N/A

Item 4

Fill-in Budgets: Treasurer, Debt Service, First Selectman, Professional Service,  
 Probate Court, Town Hall, Cemetery, Probate Court, Contingency,  
 Auditors/BOF, Town Attorney

Notes:

Discussion only

Motion (Second)  
 Result  
 Follow Up

None  
 N/A

Item 5

Treasurers Report

Item 6

Discuss and possible action on Munis Financial Report for appropriations and  
 revenue presented by the Director of Finance

Motion (Second)  
 Result  
 Follow Up

None  
 N/A

Item 7

Discuss and possible action regarding a request from the Technology  
 Department for a special appropriation for an upgrade to the town server  
 Motion to appropriate \$20K to replace the town server and appropriate the  
 money from other town departmental budgets to go into the technology

Motion (Second)  
 Result  
 Follow Up

Kachele (Cremin)  
 Unanimous  
 None

Item 8

Discuss and possible action regarding a request from the Town Clerk's  
 Department for a special appropriation for new workstations  
 wait to see how much money is needed to get equipment, discussion only

Motion (Second)  
 Result  
 Follow Up

None  
 N/A

Item 9

Motion (Second)	Adjournment
Result	Kot (Kachele)
Follow Up	Unanimous
	Adjourned 11:00pm