

**Town of Easton**  
**Board of Finance - Minutes**  
**Date: March 6, 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)

**Call to Order:** 7:01pm

**Item 1 Conservation Department**

**Motion (Second)** None

**Result** small decrease of \$507 from 2018/2019. Budget totals \$52,488

**Follow up** None

**Item 2 Pension and Employee Benefits**

**Notes:** Defined Old Pension Plan is increasing by \$90K or 20.45% due to a decrease in the assumed return to 7% from 8%.

Fringe Benefits have decreased in total due to some new positions being replaced don't have benefits while the cost per family has increased by \$3K.

**Motion (Second)** N/A

**Result** N/A

**Follow Up** None

**Item 3**

**Insurance Commission**

**Notes:** Bonds and Deductibles have increased due to policy to cover Pension board liability.

**Motion (Second)** None

**Result** N/A

**Item 4 Registrar of Voters**

**Notes:** Increase of \$1.3K or 2.31%

**Motion (Second)** None

**Result** N/A

**Follow Up**

**Item 5 Town Clerk**

**Notes:** department budget to decrease by \$9.8K or 4.83% predominantly due to no capital equipment

Motion (Second)

Result

Follow Up

Item 6

**Emergency Medical Service**

slight decrease of \$2.4K or 2%

Motion (Second)

None

Result

N/A

Follow Up

Item 7

**Other Budgets**

Firehouse Rent - lease back part of the first floor, \$800 more, need to renegotiate lease amount

First Selectman Budget - advertising is increasing costs by \$2K

Probate Court - \$100 increase

Professional Services - Land Use Consultant down by \$3K, nothing on First Selectman budget for consulting

Social Services, Public Welfare - \$60 change

Town Attorney - flat at \$140K

Town Hall - need to replace circuit board and a/c unit for total capital request of \$29K

Contingency - reduce budget by \$50,000, from \$150K to \$100k

Board of Finance - same amount as prior year

Treasurer - 1.4% increase or \$4.5K

Debt Service - decreased by 3.27% or \$106K

Cemetery - same

Item 8

Motion to Adjourn 10pm

Motion (Second)

Kot (Cremin)

Result

Unanimous

Follow Up