

**Town of Haddam
BOARD OF FINANCE
September 16, 2019
APPROVED MINUTES**

In attendance	Absent	Others in attendance
Centofanti	Haase	Milardo, First Selectman
Fredericksen		Bertrand – Finance Director
McGarry (6:42 pm) Moriarty		
Challenger (Alternate)		
Nesti (Alternate)		
Rutty (Alternate)		

Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance

Chairman Centofanti called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Seating of Alternates: Fredericksen made a motion, seconded by Moriarty to seat Nesti, Challenger and Rutty for all open seats. Motion approved unanimously.

Approval of Minutes: Fredericksen made a motion, seconded by Challenger to accept the 7/15/19 minutes. No discussion. Fredericksen, Challenger, Rutty approved. Moriarty abstained.

Public comment:

Adams, Maurice: commented that he is not comfortable with the budget and asked about the TAR Grant.

Schlag, Melissa: asked about the Pilot money

Alonzo, Alan: questioned the bond resolution, specifically the trucks.

Finance Director’s Report: Attached as schedule 1. The Finance Director submitted a report regarding budget overages.

Selectmen’s Report: N/A

Selectmen’s Request:

- a. Request \$10,000 to fund Municipal Agent Budget Line:** The budget line for the Municipal Agent for the Elderly was inadvertently missed in the budget process. By the requirements set forth, the Municipal Agent must spend 10 hours per week devoted to that function.
Fredericksen made a motion, seconded by Challenger to approve the request to fund \$10,000.00 in the Municipal Agent line. No further discussion. Approved unanimously.
- b. Request \$12,000 match for Public Visioning Grant:** Fredericksen made a motion, seconded by Moriarty to fund the request from the Town Planner for a Public Vision Grant. This is a 50% matching grant. Board of Finance approved the grant for \$24,000 as well as a transfer of \$12,000 for the match from unallocated CNR funds. No discussion. Motion carried unanimously.

Old Business: N/A

New Business: The chairman explained that there was approximately \$700,000 of excess revenue to be discussed for transfer & use.

The Chairman also mentioned some things were found in the Charter regarding any line not being overspent by \$1,000 that would require intradepartmental transfer.

Public Comment: Fredericksen mentioned that they should consider more descriptive clarity regarding the budget.

Schlag, Melissa commented that descriptions should be put in. She also mentioned that a model number in the trucks was incorrect. Lastly, she mentioned CGS 106 Section 7-348 stated that no contract or appropriation or percent of transfer should not exceed \$20,000. She asked for a legal opinion regarding the \$24,800 the town is using.

Schwing, Ed: commented that the public figure should answer public comment questions.

Fredericksen made a motion, seconded by Moriarty to adjourn meeting at 7:15 pm. No discussion. Approved unanimously.

Minutes taken by Barbara Bertrand, Finance Director