

BOARD OF FINANCE  
SPECIAL MEETING  
TOWN HALL ROSE ROOM  
MAY 29, 2018  
MINUTES

Present: J. Olsen, J. Scully Welch, L. Santos, M. Smith, D. Traynor, K. Carr D. Onofrio and O. NejdI

Absent: L. Santos

Olsen called the special meeting to order at 7:00 pm. The Board of Selectmen met this morning and recommended reductions in the town budget totaling \$100,150.

Town Budget

Onofrio made a motion, seconded by Smith to accept the Board of Selectmen budget reductions totaling \$100,150 and send to public hearing.

The following motions were made to allow visitors to speak on behalf of their budget.

Onofrio made a motion, seconded by Smith to allow the First Selectman to speak. The motion was unanimously approved.

Scully Welch made a motion, seconded by Onofrio to allow Maribeth Breen to speak in regards to the \$10,000 budget reduction in the library budget. The motion was unanimously approved.

Onofrio made a motion, seconded by Scully Welch to allow Peter Neff, Director of Public Works, to speak in regards to the \$10,000 reduction in his capital budget. The motion was unanimously approved.

Scully Welch made a motion, seconded by Olsen to allow Chief DeMaio to speak in regards to the \$15,000 budget cut to the police overtime account. The motion was unanimously approved.

The motion to accept the Board of Selectmen budget reductions totaling \$100,150 and send to public hearing was called to a vote. The motion passed with a vote of 3 in favor (Smith, Onofrio and Olsen), 2 opposed (Scully Welch and Traynor) and 1 abstention (NejdI).

Board of Education Budget

NejdI made a motion, seconded by Onofrio to reduce the Board of Education budget by \$150,000 and send to public hearing.

Onofrio made a motion, seconded by Scully Welch to allow Maryann O'Donnell to speak to the board in regards to the education budget. The motion was unanimously approved. O'Donnell informed the board that the budget reduction would come from the capital budget. \$130,000 from the wiring upgrade at the Eliot School, \$15,000 from the remote system monitoring and \$5,000 from electric power upgrades.

The motion to reduce the education budget by \$150,000 and send to public hearing was called to a vote. The motion was unanimously approved.

Onofrio made a motion, seconded by NejdI and unanimously adjourned the meeting at 7:40 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

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Mary Schettino