

**TOWN OF SOMERS
BOARD OF FINANCE – SPECIAL MEETING
March 16, 2021
7:00 PM
Zoom Meeting – 576 177 1211**

1. Call To Order

Jim Persano called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

2. Members Present

In attendance were Jim Persano, Michael Parker, Bill Salka, Kathy Devlin, Bill Meier and Joe Tolisano. Also, in attendance was CFO Michael Marinaccio, Assistant Finance Director Brian Wissinger, First Selectman Bud Knorr, Selectman Tim Keeney, various department directors, and members of the Library Board.

3. Change in BOF Chairmanship

Jim Persano resigned as chairman of the Board of Finance.

Joe Tolisano made a motion to nominate Michael Parker as Board of Finance chair until the end of Jim Persano's term, seconded by Kathy Devlin. There was no further discussion and a unanimous decision followed.

4. FY 2022 Budget Presentation and Discussion with BOS

First Selectman Bud Knorr presented a budget with a 1.22% increase amounting to \$101,688.

Kathy Devlin asked is the increase in calls from the Fire Department are all in Town or if they are made up of out of Town calls also.

Joe Tolisano asked if the federal relief monies would be eligible for use for PPE and medical supplies.

Michael Parker asked for current CARES Act reimbursements. At this time, Finance is working with the BOE and with Town Departments to collect their data to submit for reimbursement. We are anticipating a request in the \$100,000 range. Parker asked if there would be any surplus/return. Wissinger responded that the Town and BOE are both anticipating about \$50,000 each return to Fund Balance.

Bill Meier asked questions regarding specific lines in various department budgets. All questions were answered.

Kathy Devlin asked about separation payout and if the \$10,000 amount would be enough. Wissinger responded that there are no known retirements, however there are multiple employees eligible at this time. If the employees chose to retire, the amount would not be enough and would require a budget transfer.

5. Selection of BOF member to serve on Treasurer reappointment panel

The Board discussed the proper procedure of handling to selected member. Michael Parker, as the newly appointed Chairman, appointed Joe Tolisano to the appointment panel for the Treasurer.

6. Adjournment

Joe Tolisano made a motion to adjourn at 8:09 pm, seconded by Kathy Devlin. There was no further discussion and a unanimous decision followed.

Respectfully Submitted,

Brian Wissinger

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