

Bd of Finance Minutes  
Regular Meeting April 6, 2022  
Warren Town Hall

Board of Finance members present: Eric Schoenfeld, Robyn Kasler, Craig Nelson, Luke Tanner, David Robinson, John Favreau

Selectmen present: Greg LaCava, Alex Papp, Tim Angevine

Also present: Colleen Frisbie, Town Treasurer, Chris Leone Reg 6 Superintendent, members of the public.

The meeting was opened at 7:00pm by Chair Eric Schoenfeld.

1. Minutes of March 3, 2022-*J. Favreau moved to accept the minutes of the March 3, 2022 meeting. Second by D. Robinson. All in favor, the motion carried.*
2. Additions to the agenda: None
3. Chris Leone, Reg 6 Superintendent, reviewed the Region 6 FY 2022/2023 budget. The budget remains flat for the 6<sup>th</sup> year in a row. Some items of note: Warren's allocation has a large increase this year due to students moving in to the upper grades as well as a reduction in Goshen's student population. Warren's projected kindergarten class is expected to have only 3 students so adjustments will be made, and the preK will not be able to be held for lack of participants. The Region budget hearing will be held on April 11, 2022 and the budget meeting will be held on May 2, 2022 at Wamogo. Copies of the presentation are available at town hall and the proposed budget will also become available. Discussion was held regarding a three year average or planning for future large increases.
4. Review of Expenditures: No concerns, expenditures are in line with the budget. It was asked if we can set aside funds for future large increases to our Region 6 budget, and it was determined that the funds would come from fund balance.
5. Pension Trustees Update on 457B plan. There have been some difficulties with our current plan with Aspire, and the Trustees are recommending we move to John Hancock at a cost of \$1,400 to the town. *D. Robinson move to switch the 457b plan from Aspire to John Hancock at a cost of \$1,400. Second by J. Favreau. All in favor, the motion carried.*
6. Budget workshop: Greg LaCava, First Selectman presented the Selectmen's budget. The mill rate is to remain the same (14.15 mills) with the increase in our Region 6 share of \$350,000 to come from fund balance. A line for cybersecurity insurance has been added. A Land Use Consultant/Enforcement Officer has been hired on a 1099 basis. Other items of note are an increase in election expenses (due to this year's election cycle), paramedic intercept, website/email and Clerical. The clerical position will cover as many as three different offices as needed.

The Compensation Committee will meet on Thursday, April 14 at 9:15 at the Community Center to discuss the First Selectman's compensation. There will be a special Bd of Finance meeting on April 20 at 6 pm at the Town Hall.

7. Public comment: None

*C. Nelson moved to adjourn at 9:10 pm. Second by D. Robinson, all in favor.*

Respectfully submitted,

Joanne Tiedmann, clerk