



WESTPORT CONNECTICUT BOARD OF FINANCE

MINUTES OF BOF EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board of Finance held a Special Meeting on Wednesday, February 6, 2019 at 7:01 p.m. in Room 201/201A of Town Hall for the following purpose. It is anticipated that the Board of Finance will vote to go into Executive Session for such discussions:

Attendees: B. Stern, M. Rea, J. Westphal, N. Dupier, A. Moore, L. Caney, S. Gordon

Motion to go into Executive session by B. Stern, second by A. Moore, Vote unanimous.

1. To discuss potential litigation regarding Coleytown Middle School mold claims.

At 8:05 P. M. Motion to go out of executive session made by L. Caney, second by A, Moore. Vote unanimous.

DRAFT MINUTES OF PUBLIC MEETING

The Board of Finance held its Public Meeting on Wednesday, February 6, 2019 at 8:10 p.m. in Room 201/201A of Town Hall for the following purposes:

Attendees: B. Stern, M. Rea, J. Westphal, L. Caney, A, Moore, N. Dupier, S. Gordon by phone.

AGENDA

1. Approved the Board of Finance Minutes of the January 9, 2019 Special Meeting and the January 9, 2019 Regular Meeting. Motion to approve N. Dupier, second by A. Moore. Vote - Unanimous.
2. Heard Financial Report from the Finance Director and Board of Education 2nd quarter Financial Report from the Director of Business Operations (Discussion Only)
3. Coleytown Middle School Status Update from Sheri Gordon and Mike Rea. (Discussion Only)
4. Heard status update from the Audit Manager. (Discussion Only)
5. Upon the request of the Director of Operations, to discuss moving quarterly real estate and personal property tax collections (over \$100) to semi-annual tax collections, with continued quarterly collections for Senior citizens and disabled persons receiving State and Local tax relief. Discussion Only - No action taken.
6. Upon the request of the Director of Public Works, to approved an appropriation of \$200,000.00 along with bond and note authorization to the Municipal Improvement Fund Account #30503310-500165 for sidewalk rehabilitation and construction to continue addressing the ongoing sidewalk maintenance project. Motion to approve. B. Stern, second L. Caney. Vote 6-0-0. - S. Gordon not present for vote.
7. Upon the request of the Director of Public Works, to approved an appropriation of \$380,000.00 to the Capital and Non-Recurring Account #31503310-500166 for replacement of sidewalks, and intersection improvements along Myrtle Avenue, from the Post Road to Avery Place.

Motion to approve by B. Stern, second by A. Moore. Vote Five (5) FOR - One (1) against (Rea). S. Gordon not present for vote.

Motion to extend meeting past 10 P.M. made by L. Caney second by N. Dupier. Vote unanimous.

8. Upon the request of the Director of Public Works, to approve an appropriation of \$1,000,000.00 along with bond and note authorization to the Municipal Improvement Fund Account #30503310-500156 for the buyout of the Eversource-owned street lights to be replaced with Town-owned LED streetlights. The electric rate for LED's combined with lower electricity consumption creates an approximate investment payback period of five years.

Item was postponed by Admiration and will be rescheduled for next regular meeting.

9. Upon the request of the Superintendent of Schools and the Board of Education, to approve a special appropriation in the amount of \$4,000,000.00, with bond and note authorization, for the purchase or rental of portable classrooms to be used at (a) Coleytown Elementary School, (b) Kings Highway Elementary School, (c) Long Lots Elementary School, (d) Saugatuck Elementary School, (e) Greens Farms Elementary School, and/or (f) Bedford Middle School. The Board of Education intends to apply for a School Construction Grant from the Connecticut Commissioner of Administrative Services to help defray the cost of the portable classrooms.

Motion to approve by B. Stern, second by M. Rea.

Said motion was further amended by L. Caney, second by B. Stern as follows:

Resolved: That upon the request of the Board of Education, an appropriation of the sum of \$1,000,000.00 for the project costs of the rental of portable classrooms at Bedford Middle School is hereby approved. The Board of Education intends to apply for a School Construction Grant from the Connecticut Commissioner of Administrative Services to help defray the cost of the portable classrooms.

Vote was unanimous 7-0-0. (S. Gordon voted by phone)

Motion to adjourn at 11:32 P.M. by L. Caney, second by N. Dupier. Vote unanimous.