

DRAFT SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES OF THE RTM FINANCE & BUDGET COMMITTEE

WEDNESDAY, February 7, 2019

**PLACE: Room 213
DARIEN TOWN HALL
AUDITORIUM 7:30 P.M.**

1. Call to Order: Jack Davis, Chair, at 7:30 p.m. (0:00)

Committee MEMBERS Attendance:

	Martha Banks	Taylor Carter	Jack Davis	Mike Heitz	James Howe	Dave Martin	Iris Mix	Barry Baldwin
Present	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Absent								

	Peter Orphanos	Brad Pattelli	Tammy Sload	Bill Smith	Stacey Tie	Bert Von Stuelpnagel	Lisa Yarnell
Present	X			X		X	
Absent		X	X		X		X

11 Present and 4 Absent. Needed for Quorum: 8. Quorum attained.

2. Other Attendees Present: NONE

3. Chairperson’s Report: Jack Davis provided an update as to the union contract negotiations as well as background information as to the two other meeting agenda action items; namely, the Tax Deferral Federal Employees Board of Selectmen resolution and Board of Selectmen acceptance of the fireworks gift. Lastly, Jack provided an update as to the Superintendent's proposed BOE 2019-2020 budget and upcoming review schedules of the BOE and the BOS budgets.

4. Discussion: points covered included:

- i) Bert and Mike discussed their comments regarding the union contract which was discussed by other attending members. This was followed by discussion of the tax deferral resolution and the fireworks gift. In response to a question from Iris as to possible subsequent shutdowns, Jack will check into when the "clock starts running" on this relief.

ii) Dave, Bert and Jack led discussions as to the BOE and BOS budget review thus far with particular focus on those matters potentially yielding taxpayer savings. Also discussed at length were budget proposals for additional FTE's for civilian police dispatchers, deployment of a SRO and a narcotic officer and outstanding requests for police overtime and training analytics. Projections of investment income figuring into the Administrator's proposed budget will be explored further with the Town Treasurer. Other matters identified for follow up include: the state employee health fund as a measure to further control costs, the Town sick pay policy and the accrual accounting and funding of capital projects (bonding and year-over-year reserving).

5. MOTION TO ACCEPT THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF A GIFT OF \$27,753.91 FROM THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE FIREWORKS COMMITTEE.

1st Mr. Smith

2ND Mr. Orphanos

	Martha Banks	Taylor Carter	Jack Davis	Mike Heitz	James Howe	Dave Martin	Iris Mix	Barry Baldwin
YES	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
NO								
ABSTAIN								

	Peter Orphanos	Brad Pattelli	Tammy Sload	Bill Smith	Stacey Tie	Bert Von Stuelpnagel	Lisa Yarnell
YES	X			X		X	
NO							
ABSTAIN							

Result: Motion Passed Unanimously (11-0-0)

	Peter Orphanos	Brad Pattelli	Tammy Sload	Bill Smith	Stacey Tie	Bert Von Stuelpnagel	Lisa Yarnell
YES	X			X		X	
NO							
ABSTAIN							

Result: Motion Passed Unanimously (11-0-0)

8. MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY JANUARY 23, 2019

1st Ms. Carter

2ND Mr. Martin

	Martha Banks	Taylor Carter	Jack Davis	Mike Heitz	James Howe	Dave Martin	Iris Mix	Barry Baldwin
YES		X	X	X		X		X
NO								
ABSTAIN	X				X		X	

	Peter Orphanos	Brad Pattelli	Tammy Sload	Bill Smith	Stacey Tie	Bert Von Stuelpnagel	Lisa Yarnell
YES	X			X		X	
NO							
ABSTAIN							

Result: Motion Passed (8-0-3)

9. MOTION TO ADJOURN:

1st Mr. Von Stuelpnagel

2ND Mr. Martin

	Martha Banks	Taylor Carter	Jack Davis	Mike Heitz	James Howe	Dave Martin	Iris Mix	Barry Baldwin
YES	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
NO								
ABSTAIN								

	Peter Orphanos	Brad Pattelli	Tammy Sload	Bill Smith	Stacey Tie	Bert Von Stuelpnagel	Lisa Yarnell
YES	X			X		X	
NO							
ABSTAIN							

Result: Motion Passed Unanimously (11-0-0)

Meeting adjourned at approximately 9:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Heitz, Clerk

Date: 02.07.2019