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DRAFT MINUTES - BOARD OF FINANCE REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING

The Board of Finance held its Regular Monthly Meeting on Thursday, January 10, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. in the Board of Finance Conference Room for the following purposes:

CALL TO ORDER: Chair Richard Freedman called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m. (*Video: 00:00:05*)

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Chair Richard Freedman

IN ATTENDANCE: RICHARD FREEDMAN, CHAIR; MARY LOU RINALDI, VICE CHAIR; SALVATORE GABRIELE; DAVID KOORIS; KIERAN RYAN; AND DUDLEY WILLIAMS

AGENDA

ITEMS ARE LISTED IN THE ORDER THEY WERE HEARD

1. (*Video: 00:00:53*) Approved the Board of Finance Minutes of the December 13, 2018 regular monthly meeting. Motion to approve by Salvatore Gabriele, second by David Kooris passed unanimously (6-0-0).

Mr. Freedman asked if anyone wished to address the Board. The following persons spoke briefly on the items listed:

- A. Deborah Billington (Item 6) (*Video: 00:01:42*)
- B. Frank Domiziano (Items 2 and 7) (*Video: 00:05:11*)
- C. Lisa Kotasek (Items 2 and 7) (*Video: 00:07:08*)
- D. Chris Woodside (Item 2) (*Video: 00:10:20*)
- E. Gloria Domiziano (Items 7 and 8) (*Video: 00:13:57*)
- F. Diane Lutz (Items 2 and 7) (*Video: 00:16:57*)

- 2. **SAFE DEBT LIMIT** (Video: 00:21:23)
Request for approval of a resolution concerning a Certificate of Safe Debt Limit of \$50,000,000 for Fiscal Year 2019-2020. This item was HELD at the December meeting.

Submitted by: Michael Handler, Director of Administration

Motion to approve a request by the Director of Administration for a resolution concerning a Certificate of Safe Debt Limit of \$50,000,000 for Fiscal Year 2019-20 was made by David Kooris, second by Dudley Williams which resulted in a vote of 4-2-0 (Sal Gabriele and Kieran Ryan opposed). The motion carried.

ITEM HEARD UNDER SUSPENSION OF THE RULES

(Video: 01:13:46) On a motion by Dudley Williams, seconded by David Kooris, the Board approved, by unanimous vote, to hear the following item:

- 2. (a) **AGREEMENT:** Bismark Construction Company, Inc. (Video: 01:13:46)
Request for approval of an AIA Construction Manager as Constructor Agreement that is open ended as to price and term. Fees based on hourly rates for mold investigation and cost plus 7% for construction. Fees will certainly exceed \$100,000, but Bismark will need an additional written notice to proceed from the City of Stamford before fees can exceed \$500,000.

Submitted by: Michael Handler, Director of Administration (Mold Task Force)

Motion to approve was made by Dudley Williams, seconded by Richard Freedman, which resulted in a vote of 4-2-0 (Salvatore Gabriele and Kieran Ryan opposed). The motion carried.

- 7. **ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION – FUND MOLD REMEDIATION AT STAMFORD SCHOOLS** (Video: 01:35:43)
The Mold Task Force requests approval of an emergency supplemental appropriation for mold remediation in Stamford Public Schools/Sites.

Amount: \$1,000,000
Fund/Budget: 01480809024
Submitted by: Karen Cammarota, Grants Officer

Motion to approve was made by David Kooris, second by Mary Lou Rinaldi and passed unanimously (6-0-0).

- 8. **ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION – MOLD TASK FORCE – ELMCROFT** (Video: 02:01:38)
Request to appropriate funds from the General Fund to Grants Fund 24, where funds were already appropriated from Contingency for mold-related issues in Stamford Public Schools/Sites.

Amount: \$1,000,000
Fund/Budget: Contingency - Project MR9522 – 24403619450
Submitted by: Karen Cammarota, Grants Officer

Motion to approve was made by David Kooris, second by Dudley Williams and passed unanimously (6-0-0).

3. CAPITAL PROJECT APPROPRIATION REQUEST – STREET PATCH AND RESURFACING

(Video: 02:02:31)

Request for a Capital Project appropriation for paving contributions related to water main installation projects completed by Aquarion Water Company in 2018. The contributions are associated with the following streets: Orchard Street, Taff Avenue, Homestead Avenue, Schuyler Avenue, Stillwater Avenue, Newfield Avenue and Berrian Road.

Amount: \$479,028
Fund/Budget: Private contributions
Submitted by: Thomas Turk, Supervisor, Traffic and Road Maintenance

Motion to approve was made by David Kooris, second by Mary Lou Rinaldi and passed unanimously (6-0-0).

4. UPDATE – EXTERNAL AUDITOR REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP) (Video: 02:03:26)

Update from Controller David Yanik (DISCUSSION ONLY)

5. ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION – OVERTIME FUNDING (Video: 02:05:03) (WITHDRAWN)

Request to fund overtime costs to cover the work load in Accounts Payable, Cash Receipts, and Payroll based on final approved budget.

Amount: \$15,000
Fund/Budget: Contingency (transfer into Overtime Account)
Submitted by: David Yanik, Controller

This item was WITHDRAWN.

6. ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION/GRANT FUNDED – JAG LOCAL VCP GRANT (Video: 02:05:14)

The Stamford Police Department will conduct extra police walking patrols in city parks and beaches in the Spring and Summer of 2019 to address crime and quality-of-life issues in the parks. The patrols will occur on an overtime basis. The grant supports 100%.

Amount: \$16,000
Fund/Budget: New Grant
Submitted by: Thomas Wuennemann, Assistant Chief of Police

Motion to approve was made by Mary Lou Rinaldi, seconded by Dudley Williams which resulted in a vote of 4-2-0 (Salvatore Gabriele and Kieran Ryan opposed). Motion carried.

9. DISCUSSION – POLICE OVERTIME (Video: 02:27:04)

The Board of Finance requested an accounting of Police overtime in the last 3 to 4 years and has invited Director Ted Jankowski to attend the meeting to discuss this topic.

Submitted by: Board of Finance

Accounting given by Director of Public Safety, Health and Welfare Ted Jankowski (DISCUSSION ONLY)

10. REVIEW: MILL RIVER PARK FUND 15: (HELD)
Following a discussion at the November 8, 2018 meeting of the Board, the office of OPM will provide a review of the Mill River Park Fund 15.

Submitted by: Jay Fountain, Director, OPM

This item was held and will be discussed at the February 12, 2019 meeting of the Board of Finance.

ADJOURNMENT: (*Video: 02:52:53*)

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Dudley Williams, seconded by Salvatore Gabriele and passed unanimously (6-0-0).

The next Regular Meeting of the Board: Tuesday, February 12, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.

[This meeting is on video.](#)

Cynthia R. Winterle

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Clerk of the Board**