

Finance Committee Minutes 4/13/23

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Committee Members Present: Nicholas Sammarco, Mark Johnson (via Zoom), Christopher Sottile, Joe Marino, Mark Johnson, David Rabinovitz.

Committee Members Absent: Krystale Bithoney, Kevin Clancy.

Staff and Anticipated Speakers Present: Brian Noble (Town Administrator); Julie Herbert (Town Accountant/Finance Director); Justin Alexander (Plainville Public School Committee).

Meeting called to order at 6:30pm.

- **Discussion of agenda item 2.1 (Approval of Minutes of the previous meeting) began at 6:31pm.**

Motion to approve minutes for 4/6/23 made by Mr. Sammarco, seconded by Mr. Marino, approved unanimously.

- **Discussion of agenda item 3.1 (General Budget Discussions) began at 6:31pm.**
 - Mr. Noble and Ms. Herbert presented a summary of FY23 housekeeping matters.
 - Questions from the Committee began at approximately 6:45pm and was interspersed throughout the community.
 - Mr. Rabinovitz and Mr. Sammarco asked several questions related to the discovery of underutilized debt.
 - Mr. Johnson asked if the Town utilized contingency planning in capital request.
 - Mr. Marino asked a question about actions taken at last year's Town Meeting.
 - Public began at 6:54pm and featured comment from Ms. Minch of Legion Drive, Mr. Hamilton of Appletree Drive, and Mr. Desprez of High Street.
- **Discussion of agenda item 3.2 (Operating Budget) began at 7:03pm.**
 - Mr. Noble detailed the current state of the FY24 operating budget through a presentation.
 - Questions from the Committee began at 7:20pm.
 - Mr. Rabinovitz and Mr. Marino asked questions related to the CIF payment from the marijuana facility.
 - Mr. Sammarco asked a question related to the budget allocation by department.
 - Mr. Marino suggested the creation of an informational explainer for residents related to common Town finance questions and concerns.
 - Public comment began at approximately 7:10pm and was interspersed throughout the presentation and featured comment from Ms. Minch of Legion Drive, Mr. Desprez of High Street, and Mr. Hamilton of Appletree Drive.
- **Discussion of agenda item 3.3 (Capital Budget) began at 7:39pm.**
 - Mr. Noble detailed the current state of the FY24 capital budget through a presentation.
 - Questions from the Committee began at 7:44pm.

- Mr. Rabinovitz asked about CBA pay raises.
- Mr. Sammarco asked about the reason for cutting one dump truck.
- Public comment began at 7:45 and featured comment from Ms. Minch of Legion Drive and Mr. Desprez of High Street.
- **Discussion on agenda item 3.4 (Liaison Reports) began at 7:49pm.**
 - Mr. Sottile read a liaison report from Mr. Clancy in absentia regarding the capital budget requests for the Plainville Public Schools.

Motion to adjourn made by Mr. Sammarco and seconded by Mr. Marino at 7:53pm passed unanimously.

NEXT MEETING: 4/20/23 @6:30pm