

# Town of Marlborough

## Board of Finance Members

Michael Nastri, Chairman  
Karen Pakulis Paul, Vice Chairman  
Jeffrey Plourde, Secretary  
John (Jack) H Fidler  
Will Guzman



## Board of Finance Alternate Members

Christopher Barella  
Sal Senna  
Baird Welch-Collins

## Board of Finance Special Meeting

Monday, April 15, 2024

### Following Annual Town Budget Public Hearing

### Marlborough Elementary School Cafeteria

*All minutes are considered 'DRAFT MINUTES' until approved at the next meeting.*

#### 1. Call to Order, Alternate Appointment

Present at the meeting were Board of Finance members Michael Nastri, Karen Pakulis Paul, Jeffrey Plourde, Jack Fidler (remote), Will Guzman.

Michael Nastri called the meeting to order at 9:01PM.

#### 2. Budget Discussion

The BOF discussed how there was expressed concern at the Public Hearing with the increase of this magnitude. For the May 6<sup>th</sup> Public Hearing, asked for the BOE to do a brief presentation with Dr. Holly Hageman and Kerri Barella. Will reach out to RHAM for a representative to see if they can be in attendance. Will work with Town Manager David Porter to do an abbreviated Town budget presentation which can highlight the budget drivers, why culverts are needed, etc., discuss the importance of projects being done in a timely manner (If postponed, they can make following years even worse).

Important to inform the residents how the loss of the hospital taxes have impacted tax revenue. However, the State will reimburse one third in future years. Also, highlight unfunded mandates again such as the registrar of voters that are out of the town's control, but still need to pay for and provide the services.

It was also suggested that putting information out on the website of what the town has been doing and continues to do with it's efforts in saving money for the town while making improvements would be good to show the towns people.

If the budget is voted down, will need to discuss what services would be taking a hit.

#### 3. Adjournment

Mike Nastri motioned to adjourn the meeting at 9:20PM. All in favor. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kathryn Overturf Nohelty  
Board Clerk