Town of Plymouth

Board of Finance

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1. Call Meeting to Order: Jim Kilduff, Chairman called the scheduled February 25, 2021 Board of Finance meeting to order at 7:04 p.m. Zoom Meeting online- Meeting ID: 416 918 410. Members in attendance: Victoria Carey-Vice Chairman, Eugene Croce, Barbara Rockwell, Elizabeth Wollenberg, and Dave Sekorski. Also present: Mayor David M. Merchant

2. Pledge of Allegiance: Jim Kilduff, Chairman led the group and audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor David Merchant acknowledged the passing of Tom Zagurski, Barbara, and Larry Deschaine reflecting greatly on all of their contributions to our community. "It's a somber week for the town of Plymouth as they all were pillars in the community and they will be greatly missed."

3. Approval of Board of Finance minutes -November 19, 2020, and January 21, 2021

Dave Sekorski made a motion, seconded by Beth Wollenberg to accept the minutes of November 19, 2020.

Motion passed unanimously

Vicky Carey made a motion, seconded by Beth Wollenberg to accept the minutes of January 21, 2021.

Motion passed unanimously

4. Mayor's Report

Mayor David Merchant stated this budget represents a "0" zero mill increase, flat budget - noting to keep in mind the difficult times that our community is facing, highlighting notable budget items and briefly elaborated.

Mayor David Merchant stated the Out Placement -Excess Costs (excess cash for all placement) \$573,532 previously in the town budget. Noting the Board of Education paid the bills, always been in the town budget. This year transferring that money over to the Board of Education and briefly elaborated.

Mayor David V. Merchant discussed in detail various sections of the Town of Plymouth Fiscal Year July 1, 2021-June 30, 2022 – Mayor's Proposed Budget Draft dated February 16, 2021, Pgs. 1 of 26 for discussion purposes – DRAFT/WORKING COPY* can be viewed in its entirety at the Plymouth, CT -Town Hall and on the Town of Plymouth's website (www.plymouthct.us)

NOTE: MILL RATE CALCULATION IS FOR REFERENCE ONLY. THE FINAL MILL RATE HAS NOT BEEN DETERMINED BY THE BOARD OF FINANCE AND WILL NOT BE FINAL UNTIL AFTER APPROVAL BY THE TOWN COUNCIL.

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5 Finance Director's Report

None

6. Initial review of proposed Plymouth Town Budget FY 2021-2022

Jim Kilduff asked Board of Finance members to review draft budget/narratives before upcoming discussion meeting scheduled dates and briefly elaborated.

Dave Sekorski questioned tax collection rate impact – will follow up with Tax Collector.

7. Public Comment

Brianna Brumaghim, 39 Holt Street, Terryville, CT - re. budget starts July 1, 2021 hopeful of vaccinations, reopenings, concerned about current budget cuts due to COVID-19 and impact on the present/future resources and budget.

8. Correspondence

Jim Kilduff read into the record the following budget suggestions from the Town of Plymouth's website:

Eric L – suggests lower taxes and property assessments to avoid individuals from losing their homes.

Melanie Church – not in favor of the building inspector position being cut to part-time - noting building activity in town.

9. Board Member's Comments

Vicky Carey - None
Barbara Rockwell - None
Elizabeth Wollenberg - None
Eugene Croce - None
Dave Sekorski - None

Our next meeting will be Thursday, March 4, 2021

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10. Adjournment

There being no further business of the Board of Finance, a motion was made by Vicky Carey, seconded by Eugene Croce to adjourn at 7:30 p.m. This motion was approved unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Michele Yokubinas

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