



Beacon Falls Board of Selectmen
Regular Meeting Minutes
August 8, 2022
(Subject to Revision)
C/O Town Clerk
10 Maple Avenue Beacon Falls, CT 06403

Members Present:

G. Smith (GS), P. Betkoski (PB), M. Krenesky (MK)

Members Absent:

None

Others Present:

Roughly 45 members of the public and 2 members of the media

1. **Call to Order / Pledge of Allegiance:**

GS called the meeting to order at 7:08 PM and led the assembled in the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. **Read and Approved Minutes from Previous Meeting:**

Motion to approve the 7/11/22 revised meeting minutes was made by **MK**, seconded by **PB**. All ayes.

3. **Budget Transfer Requests:** GS reviewed the budget transfers. **PB** made a motion to approve the budget transfers as presented and forward them to the Board of Finance for review tomorrow evening. **MK** seconded the motion. All ayes.



TOWN OF BEACON FALLS

FY22

TRANSFERS FOR 8/8 BOS & 8/9/2022 BOF MEETINGS

8/4/2022

FY2022-2023 BUDGET

<u>TRANSFER FROM:</u>			<u>TRANSFER TO:</u>			<u>Explanation</u>
<u>Amount</u>	<u>Line</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Line</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>	
1 \$ (8,000.00)	10.90.83.1170	Contingency	10.90.03.1140	Town Hall Building Maintenance	\$ 8,000.00	Assembly room air conditioning unit failed in July. Three vendors were quoted. Lowest selected.
					\$ 8,000.00	



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SWWT TRANSFER

TRANSFER FROM:

TRANSFER TO:

#	Amount	Line	Description	Line	Description	Amount	Explanation
1	\$ 12,999.00	10.90.67.1760	Plant Operations		SWWT Fund - Transfer In	\$ 12,999.00	We took just over \$41,530 from the SWWT Fund to cover Sludge Processing Expenses for FY2022.
2	\$ 7,000.00	10.90.67.1780	Sewer Maintenance		SWWT Fund - Transfer In	\$ 7,000.00	Now that the year has closed out, the WWTP Supervisor has surplus funds for 2022 which he wishes to move back to the SWWT fund to replenish the monies used for Sludge Processing
	\$ 19,999.00					\$ 19,999.00	

YEAR-END MISC. TRANSFERS

TRANSFER FROM:

TRANSFER TO:

#	Amount	Line	Description	Line	Description	Amount	Explanation
3	\$ 4,179.83	10.90.83.1170	Contingency	10.90.01.1014	HUMAN RESOURCES CONSULTANT	\$ (4,179.83)	Hiring, more usage of HR
4	\$ 50.56	10.90.03.1041	Board & Commission Expenses	10.90.03.1078	LEGAL NOTICES	\$ (50.56)	Advertising for RFPs/primaries
5	\$ 533.81	10.90.03.1121	Electricity - Solar Generation	10.90.03.1120	UTILITIES - ELECTRICITY	\$ (533.81)	Higher rates
6	\$ 120.00	10.90.03.1122	Town Hall - Water & Heat	10.90.03.1130	TELEPHONE & INTERNET	\$ (120.00)	Higher Heating costs
7	\$ 5.79	10.90.03.1495	Education	10.90.03.1167	MILEAGE & TOWN CAR MAINT.	\$ (5.79)	Increase mileage rate
8	\$ 1,541.59	10.90.11.1022	Building Admin - Overtime	10.90.15.1042	WAGES - CLERK P/T	\$ (1,541.59)	Reval year, hours split between jobs
9	\$ 39.21	10.90.44.1465	Comm. Equipment Maintenance	10.90.44.1466	EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE	\$ (39.21)	Battery purchase
			Mandatory Inspections	10.90.44.1472	VEHICLE REPAIRS	\$ (127.41)	Speaker purchase & install for EMS
10	\$ 127.41	10.90.44.1471				\$ (0.16)	Rounding
11	\$ 0.16	10.90.45.1413	Fire Prevention	10.90.45.1010	Wages - FIRE MARSHAL	\$ (209.71)	Amazon Credit card purchases in June
12	\$ 379.71	10.90.45.1495	Fire Marshal - Training	10.90.45.1527	FIRE MARSHAL - EXPENSES	\$ (1,795.41)	More training requirements
13	\$ 1,795.41	10.90.53.1041	Wages - PT Patrol	10.90.53.1505	STATE MANDATED TRAINING	\$ (264.02)	Utilities are in this line, increased costs
14	\$ 264.02	10.90.53.1220	Police Department Supplies	10.90.53.1620	BUILDING OPS & MAINTENANCE	\$ (8.04)	Rounding
15	\$ 0.04	10.90.55.1550	Animal Control - Dept Supplies	10.90.55.1010	Animal Control Wages	\$ (865.54)	Higher rates
16	\$ 865.54	10.90.83.1170	Contingency	10.90.57.1650	STREET LIGHTING	\$ (2,633.99)	Higher rates
17	\$ 2,633.99	10.90.71.1788	Parks - Grounds Maintenance	10.90.71.1121	ELECTRICITY, WATER & FUEL	\$ (490.47)	Higher fuel costs
18	\$ 490.47	10.90.83.1170	Contingency	10.90.77.1470	GASMAINTENANCE	\$ (13,027.54)	
	\$ 13,027.54					\$ (13,027.54)	
Available Contingency - before above transfers				\$ 6,468.44			
Transfers from Contingency				\$ 5,535.84			
				Total Transfers		\$ 33,026.54	

4. **Comments From the Public:**

a. C. Dana – Susan St. – Spoke on behalf of the Rivers Edge Mobile Home Community Park. She expressed intention of pursuing building a fair rent commission. The current owners of the park have raised their rent and refused to fix areas of concern around the park. A petition was signed by roughly 50 people. Clerk was given documentation to forward to the town's attorney.

b. D. Deloury – Riverside, Southington – Expressed endorsement of the Rivers Edge Mobile Home Community park's efforts.

c. D. Bostrom – Donna St. – Expressed concern for lack of water pressure throughout the park. Expressed that the park's ownership has been unresponsive to any complaints brought forward. Discussion followed on the water. It was decided that the water will be discussed at the Water Commission meeting on 9/12/22.

d. R. Karpenko – Donna St. – Mentioned that the electrical meters are older meters that are not positioned on safe material.

e. R. Binkoski – Cedar Ln. – Mentioned that he is not in favor of the speed humps.

Motion to add speed enforcement to new business 19. M. was made by **MK**, seconded by **PB**. All ayes.



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5. **Report of the Resident Trooper/Police:** MK made a motion to approve the report, as presented. PB seconded the motion. All ayes
6. **Report of the Wastewater Treatment Plant:** MK made a motion to approve the report as presented. PB seconded the motion. All ayes.
7. **Report of Public Works:** MK made a motion to approve the report as presented. PB seconded the motion. All ayes.
8. **Report of the Fire Marshal:** MK made motion to approve the report as presented. PB seconded the motion. All ayes.
9. **Report of the Finance Manager:** PB made a motion to approve the report, as presented and forward it to the Board of Finance for review at their regular August meeting. MK seconded the motion. All ayes.
10. **Report of the Tax Collector:** No report.
11. **Report of the Town Treasurer:** MK made a motion to approve the report as presented and forward it to the Board of Finance for review at their regular August Meeting. PB seconded the motion. All ayes.
12. **Report of the Town Clerk:** PB made a motion to approve the report as presented and forward it to the Board of Finance for review at their regular August Meeting. MK seconded the motion. All ayes.
13. **Report from Economic Development:** None
14. **Report of the Library:** MK made a motion to approve the report as presented. PB seconded the motion. All ayes.
15. **Report of the Fire Department:** PB made a motion to approve the report as presented. MK seconded the motion. All ayes. Discussion followed regarding the amount of mutual aid calls to Waterbury and Naugatuck.
16. **Other Departmental Reports:**
 - a. **Report of the Custodian:** MK made motion to approve the report as presented. PB seconded. All ayes.
 - b. **Report of the Animal Control Officer:** None
 - c. **Report of the BOE:** MK made motion to approve the report as presented. PB seconded. All ayes.
 - d. **Quarterly Report of the Town Nurse:** No Report
17. **Reading of Correspondence & Payment of Bills:**
 - a. Email of intention was received from Cody Muth stating interest in joining the WPCA.
 - b. Email of intention was received from Doug Bousquet stating interest in joining the Service Award Committee.
 - c. Email of intention was received from Stephen Leeper stating interest in joining the BOF.
 - d. Email of intention was received from Maureen Carroll stating interest in joining Parks and Recreation.
 - e. Email of intention was received from Peter Monti stating interest in joining Parks and Recreation.
 - f. Email of resignation was received from Stephen West stating that he has stepped down from his position on the board of finance.
18. **Old Business:**
 - a. **Burton Road — LOTCIP Project L006-0002 Burton Road Reconstruction and Retaining Wall Replacement:** Work has begun on the water lines. Aquarion (Griffin Brothers) will be flushing the lines and is prepping for one more connection.
 - b. **O&G Data Center:** No Updates. Awaiting response from Bill Corvo.
 - c. **Haynes Development:** There are no updates.
 - d. **Lopus Rd. Fee Schedule Change:** There are no Updates



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19. **New Business:**

- a. **Appointments and Reappointments:**
- i. Motion to appoint Doug Bousquet to the Service Award Committee was made by **MK**, seconded by **PB**. All ayes.
 - ii. Motion to appoint Cody Muth to the Water Pollution Control Authority was made by **MK**, seconded by **PB**. All ayes.
 - iii. Motion to appoint Peter Monti to the Parks and Recreation Commission was made by **PB**, seconded by **MK**. All ayes.
- b. **Tax Refunds:** Motion to approve tax refunds totaling \$490.25 as presented made by **PB**, seconded by **MK**. All ayes.
- c. **Police Private Duty Rates:** Motion to approve the police private duty rates and forward them to the board of finance for approval at their August meeting made by **MK**, seconded by **PB**. All ayes.

After reviewing the union contract, updated percentages from the state for retirement contributions, and fuel, the proposed FY23 PPD rates are as follows:

Type	Weekday	Weekend/Holiday
Non-Profit/School	\$81	\$81
External	\$109	\$134

- d. **Local Bridge Agreement:** Motion to approve the local valley bridge agreement with LOCIB was made by **PB**, seconded by **MK**. All ayes.
- e. **Rehabilitation of Patricia and Dolly:** Motion to approve the awarding of the rehabilitation of Patricia and Dolly project to B&W made by **MK**, seconded by **PB**. All ayes.
- f. **OPM TOD Grant 35 Wolfe Ave Proposed Community Center:** Motion to move forward with pursuing the mentioned grant was made by **PB**, seconded by **MK**. All ayes.
- g. **US DOT Safe Streets and Roads for All Grant:** The grant is a federal grant to do work on Main st. NVCOG will be submitting the application. The plan is to do all of Main St. Church to 42. It is for sidewalks, drainage, infrastructure, and roads. Discussion followed for TPA Grant for the sidewalks. Potentially updating the sidewalks from Feldspar to Middle of Main St. Motion to move forward with this grant was made by **MK**, seconded by **PB**. All ayes.
- h. **Burton Rd. Sewer Contract Review:** Motion to approve the contract with Hillinbrand was made by **MK**, seconded by **PB**. All ayes.
- i. **Town Hall Roof Procurement:** Motion to support waiver of the procurement procedure as found in the board of finance policy to award the project to Digiorgi Roofing and forward this to the BOF for approval at their August meeting was made by **PB**, seconded by **MK**. All ayes.
- j. **Public Works Collective Bargaining Agreement:** Motion to approve the new collective bargaining agreement was made by **MK**, seconded by **PB**. All ayes.

Motion to add the item Church St. STEAP to the agenda was made by **MK**, seconded by **PB**. All ayes.

- k. **Church St. STEAP:** Motion to approve the church STEAP application was made by **MK**, seconded **PB**. All ayes. Resolution was signed by **GS**.



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1. Mathies Park Update: **MK** gave update on getting the park listed on the historical preservation registry and pursuing a grant. Under advisement from SHIPO, the park would be a candidate for the grant. **MK** has sent the letter of intent. **MK** is awaiting receiving the application for the grant.
 - m. Speed Enforcement and or Action: The traffic authority made a motion to install two speed humps in the location recommended by the town engineer **PB/MK**. All ayes. The traffic authority made a motion to install stop signs at Rimmon Hill Rd. (intersection of Randall heading south into Seymour), Jane St. (heading north on Rimmon Hill rd.), Haukenum Glenn and Skokarat (turning it into a 3-way in both directions), Lantern Ridge (both directions), and Kaleas Way (turning it into a 3-way intersection). **MK/PB**. All ayes.
20. Executive Session: None needed
 21. Adjournment: **PB** made a motion to adjourn the Board of Selectman meeting at 8:25 PM. **MK** seconded the motion. All ayes.

Respectfully submitted,

Lauren A. Fennell
Clerk, Board of Selectmen