

BEACON FALLS BOARD OF SELECTMAN AND BOARD OF FINANCE

57 North Main St. Beacon Falls, CT 06403 Joint Meeting Minutes April 27, 2023 (Subject to Revision)

Members Present:

Gerard Smith (**GS**), Peter Betkoski (**PB**), Michael Krenesky (**MK**), Wendy Hopkinson (**WH**), Tom Pratt (**TP**), Dalton Fennell (**DF**), and Jim Carroll (**JC**)

Members Absent: Kyle Brennan (**KB**) and Stephen Leeper (**SL**)

Others Present: Natasha Nau, Finance Manager (NN); Erin Schwarz, Finance Admin (ES); 4 members of the public and one member of the media.

1. <u>Call to Order:</u>

GS called the meeting of the BOS to order at 7:56 PM.

JC called the meeting of the BOF to order at 7:57 PM.

2. Discussion and Action on the FY2024 Budget following public hearing:

NN gave a new update to the calculation 1.38 M was added to the grand list. Resulting in potentially bringing the overall mill rate down.

MK mentioned that he is in favor of not adding the YMCA funds back into the budget.

GS mentioned that he is in favor of approving the budget and moving it to a town vote.

3. Board of Finance Vote on the Proposed FY24 Budget:

a. Motion to approve the budget as presented with the newest update from NN. Made by DF, seconded by WH. All ayes.

4. Board of Selectmen Vote on the proposed FY24 Budget:

a. Motion to approve the town budget as presented and move it to a town vote on May 11, 2023, at 7:00 PM at the Beacon Falls Senior Center located at 57 North Main St. made by PB seconded by MK. All ayes. The discussion opened about the method of voting.

5. <u>Procurement Policy Competitive Bid Waivers:</u>

a. <u>Fire Department – AFG Extraction Equipment Purchase and Public Works – Street Sweeping Services:</u> NN reviewed the memo with the BOF/BOS.

Motion to waive the competitive bid requirement for the purchase of the AFG Extraction Equipment for the Fire Department and the Street Sweeping Services Purchases made by **MK** seconded by **PB**. All ayes.

Motion to waive the competitive bid requirement for the purchase of the AFG Extraction Equipment for the Fire Department and the Street Sweeping Services Purchases for the Public Works Department made by **WH** seconded by **TP**. All ayes.



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6. Adjournment:

- a. Motion to adjourn the BOS meeting at 8:10 PM made by **PB**, seconded by **MK**, All ayes.
- b. Motion to adjourn the BOF meeting at 8:10 PM made by WH, seconded by DF. All ayes.

Respectfully submitted,

Lauren A. Fennell

Clerk, Board of Selectmen

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