

**TOWN OF GREENWICH  
BOARD OF ESTIMATE AND TAXATION  
BUDGET COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

Tuesday, February 18, 2020  
Cone Room, Town Hall

**Committee**

**Present:** Leslie L. Tarkington, Chair; Debra Hess, Leslie Moriarty, Jeffrey S. Ramer

**Staff:** Roland Gieger, Budget Director; Peter Mynarski, Comptroller; Megan Zanesky, Risk Manager

**Board:** Michael Mason, Chairman; Andreas Duus, Karen Fassuliotis, Elizabeth K. Krumeich

**Selectperson:** Jill Oberlander, Selectperson

**BOE/GPS:** Toni Jones, Superintendent of Schools; Sean O’Keefe, COO, GPS; Dan Watson, Director of Facilities, GPS

**Public:** Ken Borsuk, Reporter, *Greenwich Time*; Jo Kroeker, Reporter, *Greenwich Time*

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 P.M.

**REQUESTS FOR BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS**

<u>Number</u>	<u>Department</u>	<u>Purpose</u>
PS-1	Parking Services	Release of Conditions
\$2,873,150	G219 & 318 & various codes	Operational & Capital Report

The “Subject to Release” request is being made to fulfill the Board of Estimate and Taxation’s condition in the current budget of the review and acceptance of a semiannual report presented by Deputy Chief Mark Marino. The Deputy Chief reported in writing for the current meeting and in writing and person at the BET Budget Committee, FY2020-2021 Department Meeting Day #2, January 30, 2020 on Department operational projects, personnel and finances, and capital including open items and encumbrances.

Upon a motion by Mr. Ramer, seconded by Ms. Moriarty, the Committee voted 4-0-0 to recommend approval of the release of conditions on PS-1 of \$2,873,150 and recommend the Application to the full BET as a Routine Application. Motion carried.

ED-9	BOE	Additional Appropriation
\$682,503	Z680 16879 59560	GHS MISA Flood Damage

Director of Facilities Watson described the water damage experienced at GHS due to the rupture of a failed flexible connection in the piping for the heating system that allowed water to flow under the wood floor of the gymnasium and saturate the floor covering in the performing arts center

lobby and the ramps in the PAC. He confirmed repair work is completed. COO O'Keefe enumerated expenses of \$341,000 for the response and remediation of the failed connection. An additional \$342,000 is being requested to be accelerated from the proposed FY2020-2021 Budget to replace all similar flexible connections in the heating system. Questions were asked about the increased cost of the full remediation from \$250,000 as originally proposed in the FY2021 Budget.

Upon a motion by Ms. Moriarty, seconded by Mr. Ramer, the Committee voted 4-0-0 to approve the request for an Additional Appropriation of \$682,503 for repairs caused by a failed flexible connection and replacement of the remaining similar flexible connections. The Budget Committee recommends the Application to the full BET as a Routine Application. Motion carried.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

None discussed.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

- **Discussion of Economic Conditions**

Budget Director Gieger presented an overview of TOG income for the first seven-months of FY2020 compared to FY2017, FY2018, FY2019. His report tracked expenses for December 2019 YTD in comparison to projections for December 2020 YTD. He commented that both building permit and conveyance tax revenues were less than the previous year, however interest revenue was slightly higher. Mr. Gieger added that the DPW Building Department had lowered its budgeted revenue forecast for building permits in FY2021.

### **Acceptance of the BET Budget Committee Meeting Minutes**

Upon a motion by Mr. Ramer, seconded by Ms. Hess, the Committee voted 4-0-0 to accept the Regular BET Budget Committee Meeting Minutes of January 21, 2020. Motion carried.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

The Committee voted unanimously to adjourn at 1:32 P.M. Motion carried.

Next Regular Meeting of the BET Budget Committee is scheduled for March 10, 2020 at 5:00 P.M. in the Cone Room.

Respectfully submitted,



Catherine Sidor, Recording Secretary



Leslie L. Tarkington, Budget Committee Chair