



**TOWN OF GREENWICH
BOARD OF ESTIMATE AND TAXATION
BUDGET COMMITTEE
FY2022 – 2023 BUDGET DECISION DAY 1 MINUTES**

Hybrid Virtual & Town Hall Meeting Room, – 9:00 A.M.
Monday, March 7, 2022

Present:

- Committee: Leslie L. Tarkington, Chair; Nisha Arora, Laura Erickson, Leslie Moriarty
- Staff: Agnes Cawai, Assistant Budget and Systems Manager, Finance Department; Roland Gieger, Director, Budget and Systems, Finance; Jenny Larkin, IT Dept; Peter Mynarski, Comptroller
- BET: Dan Ozizmir, Chair; Michael Bashan, William Drake, Karen Fassuliotis, Miriam Kreuzer, Jeffrey S. Ramer, David Weisbrod
- Public: Hector Arzeno, Ken Borsuk, *Greenwich Time*; Clare Kilgallen

Ms. Tarkington called the meeting to order at 9:15 A.M. and welcomed the audience to BET Budget Committee's Decision Day 1. She introduced Budget Committee members -- Leslie Moriarty, Nisha Arora, and Laura Erickson. The BET Budget Committee began its Annual Department Hearings on January 25th with a Public Hearing on the FY23 Budget, followed by eight days of Meetings with Departments Heads, and two Consolidation Days.

The Chair explained that the Budget Guidelines approved by the BET help frame the objectives. In the Estimate Budget, Total Department Operating Costs, before benefits, were projected for the Town to increase by 2.25% and for Schools by 2.65%. Capital projects were projected at \$70 million of prioritized projects. The delivered capital budget is \$87.0 million, exceeding the BET's unanimous approval Estimate capital projects by 24%. Some of the 138 projects require additional substantial funding in future years. Prioritization of projects was not provided.

First Selectman, Fred Camillo, BOE Chairman Kathleen Stowe, Superintendent of Schools Toni Jones and Appointing Authorities and Department heads have been responsive and supportive throughout the Budget process. We appreciate their support as well as that of many others who support them.

The BET Budget Committee spent last Monday and Wednesday in Consolidation Days methodically reviewing the FY23 Budget by Department revenues and expenses and by capital projects bringing up issues and considering how to vote.

DECISION DAY ONE Votes

BET Budget Committee				March 7, 2022				
FY23 Decision Day Actions - Day 1								
MOTION: Approve the First Selectman's Proposed FY23 Operating & Capital Budget				LMNA				
The following Amendments were made:								
				As Proposed	Rev Budget	Change	Motion/Sec	Vote
REVENUES								
Finance	130-46110	Interest earned on Investme	250,000	500,000	250,000	LM/LE	4-0-0	
Town Clerk	150-44180	Conveyance taxes	6,000,000	5,500,000	(500,000)	LE/LM	4-0-0	
P&Z-BoA/Z	161-44050	Appeals-P&Z	14,000	11,000	(3,000)	LMNA	4-0-0	
P&Z-BoA/Z	161-44220	Filing Fees - other	775,000	825,000	50,000	LMNA	4-0-0	
P&Z	161-44460	Photocopies	25	-	(25)	LMNA	4-0-0	
P&Z Comm	171-44222	Filing Fees-public hearing	55,000	105,000	50,000	LMNA	4-0-0	
P&Z Comm	171-44223	Filing Fees - subdivision	25,000	35,000	10,000	LMNA	4-0-0	
P&Z Comm	171-44224	Filing Fees - site plan app	240,000	251,000	11,000	LMNA	4-0-0	
IWWA	173-44018	Application Fees- Excess D	100,000	165,000	65,000	LM/LE	4-0-0	
IWWA	173-44060	Application Fees	300,000	320,000	20,000	LM/LE	4-0-0	
IWWA	173-44061	Filing fees - wetland acres	15,000	9,900	(5,100)	LMNA	4-0-0	
IWWA	173-44062	IWWA Permit extension	7,500	3,500	(4,000)	LMNA	4-0-0	
IWWA	173-44070	Wetlands fee - violation	25,000	22,000	(3,000)	LMNA	4-0-0	
IWWA	173-44258	Green sheet review	3,150	2,600	(550)	LMNA	4-0-0	
IWWA	173-44500	Public hearing-legal notice	1,500	-	(1,500)	LMNA	4-0-0	
DPW-Waste	321-44732	MSW-Residential permit fee	175,000	200,000	25,000	LE/LM	4-0-0	
BOE	620-43451	Education Cost Sharing	577,000	569,000	(8,000)	LE/LM	4-0-0	
P&R-Rec	812-44210	Field User Fee	183,600	201,600	18,000	LE/LM	4-0-0	
State Grants	997-43480	Mun revenue share-sales ta	300,000	-	(300,000)	LE/LM	4-0-0	
TNW Fund	999-49128	TNW-Transfer employee hc	6,635,000	6,016,000	(619,000)		4-0-0	
TOTAL REVENUE CHANGE				(945,175)				

			Description of Motion	Change	Motion	Vote
OPERATING EXPENSES						
General Government						
Various	xx-51010	M&C increases (GF/Funds)	Increase from 2.25% to 3% (GF=\$49,195;Funds=\$3,348)	52,543	LMNA	4-0-0
Emer Mgt	104-52240	Telephone	Regional charge increase	5,183	NA/LE	4-0-0
OFS	105-51490	Parking & Traffic Study	Funds for downtown study Possible condition on scope	100,000	LM/LE	2-2-0 NO: LT,NA
Reg Voters	120-51010	Salaries - elected officials	Increase salary	1,890	LMNA	4-0-0
Law	140-51010	Salaries	Correction	15,000	LE/LM	4-0-0
	140-51300	Temp salaries	Need to cover leave	20,000	LE/LM	4-0-0
	140-51430	Prof - Arch appraisals and	Accounting change offset in	50,000		
	140-51450	Prof - Other spec services	other account code	(50,000)	LE/LM	4-0-0
P&Z	171-51010	Salary	Request new FT position and	47,883		
	171-51300	Temp salaries	decrease one PT position	(45,292)	LM/LE	2-2-0 NO: LT,NA
	171-51490	Consulting	Funds for downtown study	75,000	LM/LE	3-0-1 ABS: NA
Fire						
Training	202-52090	Tuition	Correction	2,940	LE/LM	4-0-0
Marshall	204-51010	Salaries	Correction	12,276	LE/LM	4-0-0
	204-51280	Payment-Extra qual	Correction	(5,400)	LE/LM	4-0-0
	204-51320	Payment-College credit	Correction	(1,000)	LE/LM	4-0-0
	204-51330	Uniform allowance	Correction	(15,810)	LE/LM	4-0-0
	204-51380	EMT credits	Correction	(1,300)	LE/LM	4-0-0
Firefighters	205-51100	Overtime	Increase needed	388,196	LE/LM	2-2-0 NO: LT,NA
	205-51980	4 new firefighters	Improve NW coverage	(316,995)	LT/NA	2-2-0 NO: LM,LE
Apparatus	206-54250	Maintenance of auto	Correction	3,500	LE/LM	4-0-0
	208-57218	Round Hill contribution	Incr from 2% to 2.25% inc	165	LT/LE	4-0-0
	208-57219	Banksville contribution	Incr from 2% to 2.25% inc	377	LT/LE	4-0-0

Police							
General Svc	213-51300	Temp salaries	Remove new FT property cler	(44,308)	LT/NA	3-1-0	NO: LE
Public Works							
Engineering	302-54350	Maintenance of Road	Correction	(150,000)	LE/LM	4-0-0	
Waste	321-51490	Consulting	Outsource permit manage	(75,500)	LT/NA	2-2-0	NO: LM,LE
External Entities							
TAG	440-57221	Contribution to TAG	Possible condition on semi-annual report				
GEMS	440-57225	Contribution to GEMS	Possible condition on semi-annual report				
Schools							
Admin	600-51010	Salaries	Add private school nurse \$	85,000	LM/LE	4-0-0	
	600-xxx	Undetermined	Reduce to Guidelines	(290,000)	LT/NA	2-2-0	NO: LE,LM
Fixed Charges							
Benefits	901-57020	Defined Contribution	Reduce contribution	(100,000)	LM/NA	4-0-0	
			RECONSIDER amendment		LM/NA	4-0-0	
			Increase contribution	100,000	LM/NA	4-0-0	
	901-57100	Healthcare cost	New estimate-8% vs 6%	1,089,000	LM/NA	4-0-0	
	901-57102	Employee healthcare contri	Incr-contracts, new adj	(1,652,000)	LM/NA	4-0-0	
Unemp/WC	902-57300	WC-Hospital Medical	Lower estimate	(100,000)	LM/LE	4-0-0	
	902-57330	Unemployment	Lower estimate	(100,000)	LM/NA	4-0-0	
Insurance	908-56160	Cyber Liability	Higher premium	90,000	LM/LE	4-0-0	
	950-57820	Bonding premium	Higher premium	(151,451)	LM/NA	4-0-0	
Transfers	999-57128	Contribution to TNW	Reduce by \$375,000	(375,000)	LT/LE	2-2-0	
TOTAL GENERAL FUND OPERATING CHANGE =				(771,743)			
				(excluding \$2,358,000 of capital projects moved to operating expense)			

Nathaniel Witherell							
TNW	Revenues		Adjusted budget	(75,000)	LM/LE	4-0-0	
	450-51010		Adjusted budget	262,510	LM/LE	4-0-0	
Possible condition 50% of 51010 on TNW Board consideration of operating alternatives							
	450-51070		Adjusted budget	(13,609)	LM/NA	4-0-0	
	450-51110		Adjusted budget	171,507	LM/LE	4-0-0	
	450-53250		Adjusted budget	99,742	LM/NA	4-0-0	
	450-53251		Adjusted budget	20,000	NA/LM	4-0-0	
	450-54010		Adjusted budget	93,355	LM/NA	4-0-0	
	450-57100		Adjusted budget	(619,457)	LM/LE	4-0-0	
	450-57500		Adjusted budget	(14,934)	LM/NA	4-0-0	
	450-59560		Adjusted budget	(115,000)			
Parking Fund							
	219-51920	Work transfer to/from	Adjusted budget	(200,810)	LM/NA	4-0-0	
	219-52050	Postage	Adjusted budget	(1,214)	LM/NA	4-0-0	
	52150	Office services	Adjusted budget	(7,931)	LM/NA	4-0-0	
	219-52240	Telephone	Adjusted budget	(1,202)	LM/NA	4-0-0	
	219-52360	Rental/Maintenance softwar	Adjusted budget	(2,853)	LM/NA	4-0-0	
	219-53010	Office supplies	Adjusted budget	(2,397)	LM/NA	4-0-0	
	219-53500	Motor fuel	Adjusted budget	(277)	LM/NA	4-0-0	
	219-53750	Highway materials	Adjusted budget	(1,331)	LM/NA	4-0-0	
	219-54020	Maintenance of parking area	Adjusted budget	(9,985)	LM/NA	4-0-0	
	219-54150	Maintenance of furniture	Adjusted budget	(666)	LM/NA	4-0-0	
	219-54200	Maintenance of machinery	Adjusted budget	(4,438)	LM/NA	4-0-0	
	219-57120	Contribution to other town fu	Adjusted budget	(83,000)	LM/NA	4-0-0	

Golf Course							
	Revenue	Cell tower revenue	Move to GF	(123,337)	LM/NA	1-3-0	NO:LT,NA,LE
OPEB							
	132-52950	Rental of Financial Subscrip	Reduce Bloomberg terminal	(17,000)	NA/LM	4-0-0	
CAPITAL APPROPRIATIONS				Change			
OFS		BOE central office study-	Move to operating	(50,000)	LT/LE	4-0-0	
		Amendment: Put in BOE budget			LM/LE	1-2-1	NO:LT,NA,LE
		Vote on original motion (move to OFS operating)				4-0-0	
Assessor		Revaluation	Move to operating	(265,000)	LM/NA	4-0-0	
Conservation		Tod's Driftway coastal	Delete project	(200,000)	NA/LT	2-1-1	NO: LE, Abs:
		Climate Change Study	Add new project	100,000	LM/LE	1-2-1	NO:LT,NA,LE
Fire		PPE	Move to operating	(120,000)	NA/LE	4-0-0	
Police		Mobile data terminal	Move to operating	(25,000)	LM/NA	4-0-0	
		Body camera	Move to operating	(200,000)	LM/NA	4-0-0	
		Thin Client Server	Delete project	(60,000)	LT/NA	2-2-0	NO:LM,LE
		Dashboard camera	Move to operating	(80,000)	LM/NA	4-0-0	
DPW		Traffic signal maintenance	Move to operating	(200,000)	NA/LM	4-0-0	
		Portable generator	Delete project	(45,000)	LT/NA	2-2-0	NO:LM,LE
		ADA Sidewalk	Lower by \$100,000	(100,000)	LT/NA	2-2-0	NO:LM,LE
		Paving	Lower by \$750,000	(750,000)	NA/LE		
		Byram Traffic Safety	Delete project	(300,000)	LT/NA	2-2-0	NO:LM,LE
		Emergency pre-emt Traffic	Reduce by half	(350,000)	NA/LT	36,558	NO:LM,LE
		Glenville Center Neighborho	Delete project	(500,000)	LT/NA	2-2-0	NO:LM,LE
		Gr Ave Intersection Project	Delete project	(2,800,000)	LT/NA	2-2-0	NO:LM,LE
		Possible condition on scope, bids					
		OG Streetscape	Delete project	(500,000)	LE/LM	4-0-0	
		P&R Lot maintenance	Cut one lot	(50,000)	LE/LT	4-0-0	
		P&R Lot maintenance	Move to operating	(150,000)	LE/LM	4-0-0	
		Highway maintenance	Reduce \$750,000	(750,000)	NA/LT	2-2-0	NO:LM,LE
		Rt 1 Sidewalk Connectivity	CONDITION on scope				
		Highway - CTDOT	CONDITION on scope				
		Cos Cob Neighborhood Pro	Delete project	(400,000)	LE/LM	4-0-0	
		Gr Ave Re-Imagine	Delete project	(500,000)	LM/LE	3-1-0	NO: LE
		Holly Hill plan	Delete project	(400,000)	NA/LT	2-2-0	NO:LM,LE
		Environ Abatement	Move to operating	(50,000)	NA/LM	4-0-0	
		Gr Point Facility (Chimes)	Defer project	(325,000)	LT/NA	2-2-0	NO:LM,LE
		Demolition - Horseneck	Delete project	(600,000)	NA/LT	2-2-0	NO:LM,LE
		HVAC Boiler	Move to operating	(25,000)	NA/LM	4-0-0	
		Public safety complex gara	Defer for 1 year	(60,000)	LT/NA	2-2-0	NO:LM,LE
		Town hall utilization	Move to operating	(210,000)	LM/NA	4-0-0	
		Town restroom rehab	Defer project	(600,000)	LE/NA	4-0-0	
		Town wide roof replacemen	Defer	(50,000)	LT/NA	4-0-0	
		RSB Park	Reduce to \$50,000	(50,000)	LE/LT	3-1-0	NO: LM
Fleet		Fire - new engine	Delete engine	(850,000)	LT/NA	2-2-0	NO:LM,LE
Ext Entity		Bruce -employee bathroom	Delete	(30,000)	LT/NA	2-2-0	NO:LM,LE
		Bruce - lightning	Delete	(58,000)	LT/NA	2-2-0	NO:LM,LE
		Bush Holley House	Delete	(233,000)	LM/LE	3-0-1	Abs: NA
Library		IT infrastructure	Defer	(35,000)	NA/LT	2-2-0	NO:LM,LE
		Elevator upgrades	Delete	(300,000)	NA/LT	2-2-0	NO:LM,LE
		HVAC equipment	Delete	(325,000)	LT/NA	2-2-0	NO:LM,LE
		Flooding repairs	Reduce to \$50,000 (per dept)	(50,000)	LE/LM	4-0-0	
		Innovation lab equipment	ADD equipment	50,000	LE/LM	2-2-0	NO:LM,LE
		Perrot - carpet	Reduce by \$20 per dept	(20,000)	LE/NA	4-0-0	

The BET Budget Committee Decision Day 1 meeting adjourned at 5:02 P.M. Decision Day 2 will meet as a Hybrid Virtual and Town Hall Meeting Room on March 8, 2022 at 9:00 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,



Catherine Sidor, Recording Secretary



Leslie L. Tarkington, BET Budget Committee Chair