

BOARD OF FINANCE
TOWN OF KILLINGWORTH
323 ROUTE 81
KILLINGWORTH, CONNECTICUT 06419

MINUTES
Regular Meeting
September 9, 2024

Chairman Annie Stirna called the September 10, 2024, Meeting of the Board of Finance of the Town of Killingworth to order at 7:01 P.M.. The meeting was in the Board of Finance Meeting Room of the Town Office Building, 323 Route 81, Killingworth, Connecticut.

Members present: Chairman Annie Stirna, Vice Chair Marcel Couture, Clerk Tara Amatrudo, Sara O'Brien, Mike Kovacs.

Members absent: William Kosturko

Visitors: Abigail Albrecht
Eric Nunez
Tim Emerson

Also Present: First Selectman Eric Couture
Gina Regalo, Town Finance Manager

Couture moved to move the tax collector and finance director to item 1 above visitors on the meet agenda. Kovacs seconded the motion.
Motion passed – 5-0-0

Report: Finance Director

Discussion of Finance Director Report, including ARPA funds designation, and Introduction of Abigail Albrecht, Tax Collector

Couture moved to include discussion of Inland Wetlands Commission letter on the agenda. Kovacs seconded the motion.
Motion passed – 5-0-0

Discussion of Inland Wetlands Commission letter re: Recording Secretary's Salary Budget Removal

Stirna explained the commission will need to continue to pay a recording secretary's salary. Discussion of greater transparency of rationale for certain budget items in future budget seasons.

Report: First Selectman Eric Couture

RiverCog discussing possibility of a regional waste authority that would take the place of MIRA, which is dissolving. This could avoid a potentially significant increase in tipping fees by MIRA in the coming year. Also discussing possibilities of additional sustainability measures that may be put in place.

There will be upcoming discussions regarding the 10-year capital plan to begin to look more closely at needs and priorities coming up in the next few years in an effort to increase accuracy and transparency of capital planning.

Currently in hiring process for Director of Public Works. Working to contract with snow plow operators for the coming season.

Approval of Minutes

O'Brien moved to table the approval of minutes to the October meeting. Kovacs seconded the motion.

Motion passed – 5-0-0

Discussion of RSD17 and Master Plan Discussion

A vote determined the new high school campus will serve grades 9-12.

Discussion of KLA endowment policy and stone wall

KLA has adjusted their investment strategy.

Unexpected repair to stone wall at rear of library property cost town \$2900.

Discussion regarding previously discussed pavilion at library.

Discussion of 2019/2020, 2022/2023 Annual Reports

2022-23 report is completed – 5 copies being printed

2019-20 in progress – technical difficulties due to file format.

2023-24 – In process of collecting town department reports – 1st and 2nd notices have been sent. An additional request will be sent.

Bills

Stirna moved to pay \$560 to Gregory Reese of GR Design for the design and production of the 2022-23 Annual Report. Couture seconded the motion.

Motion passed 5-0-0

There being no further business, Stirna **adjourned** the meeting at 8:16 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Tara Amatrudo

Tara Amatrudo, Clerk

E-mailed: Town Clerk
Board of Selectmen
Board of Finance

Abigail Albrecht, Tax Collector
Donna Dupuis, Town Treasurer
Elizabeth Disbrow, Administrative Assistant
Regina Regolo, Director of Finance
Sherry Lee Hynes, Secretary