

TOWN OF BRIDGEWATER



OFFICE OF THE TOWN COUNCIL

APPROVED – 4/26/22

Budget & Finance Committee Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: April 5, 2022

A. Call to Order

Councilor Wood called the meeting to order at 6:00PM.

Committee Members Present:

Councilor Wood, Councilor George and Councilor Gallagher.

B. Public Comment:

Taylor Sullivan, 240 Norland Park – commented on the local tax option retail marijuana Ordinance – does not feel that it is necessary at this point.

C. Approval of Meeting Minutes:

March 28, 2022 meeting minutes.

Councilor George made a motion to approve the meeting minutes from February 28, 2022 which was duly seconded by Councilor Gallagher.

Roll-call vote was taken with the results recorded as follows: George – Yea; Gallagher – Yea; Wood – Yea. The motion passed 3-0.

D. Legislation Referred:

Order O-FY22-051: Transfer Order - Town Hall Roof

Councilor Gallagher made a motion to recommend Order O-FY22-041, which was duly seconded by Councilor Gallagher.

Discussion: Councilor George noted that this would be recommending the budget item of \$100k with the hope of the grant getting approved at 50% reimbursement.

Roll-call vote was taken with the results recorded as follows: George – Yea; Gallagher – Yea; Wood – Yea. The motion passed 3-0.

Order O-FY22-052: Transfer Order – Sewer PS Wetwell Repair

Councilor George moved to recommend Order O-FY22-052 which was duly seconded by Councilor Gallagher.

Discussion: Councilor Gallagher noted that a lot of towns are using ARPA funds and wanted to know if Bridgewater was looking into what ARPA funds can be used for.

Roll-call vote was taken with the results recorded as follows: George – Yea; Gallagher – Yea; Wood – Yea. The motion passed 3-0.

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Order O-FY22-054: Acceptance of Fire Grant

Councilor George moved to recommend Order O-FY22-054 which was duly seconded by Councilor Gallagher.

Roll-call vote was taken with the results recorded as follows: George – Yea; Gallagher – Yea; Wood – Yea. The motion passed 3-0.

Order O-FY22-055: Contractual Buyout

Councilor Gallagher moved to recommend Order O-FY22-055 which was duly seconded by Councilor George.

Roll-call vote was taken with the results recorded as follows: George – Yea; Gallagher – Yea; Wood – Yea. The motion passed 3-0.

Ordinance D-FY22-019: Acceptance of Local Tax Option – Retail Marijuana Tax

Councilor Wood motioned to continue Ordinance D-FY22-019 to the next meeting, which was duly seconded by Councilor George.

Discussion: Councilor Wood noted that because of recent developments he would like this continued to the next meeting.

Roll-call vote was taken with the results recorded as follows: George – Yea; Gallagher – Yea; Wood – Yea. The motion passed 3-0.

E. Adjourn

Councilor George motioned to adjourn the meeting which was duly seconded by Councilor Gallagher.

Roll-call vote was taken with the results recorded as follows: George – Yea; Gallagher – Yea; Wood – Yea. The motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 6:16 p.m.

Meeting Minutes Submitted in Draft form By: Debra Ward