

Auburn Finance Committee  
Minutes of the Meeting -March 9, 2022

Members Participating: Anne Cavanaugh, Kevin Kennedy, Ed Coleman, Michael Marshall (remote), Trevor Sansoucy (remote) and Patrick Jones  
Absent: Diane Byrne  
Also Present: Chief Financial Officer/Asst. Town Manager Ed Kazanovicz

The Chair announced that, in accordance with Chapter 22 of the Acts of 2022, the meeting was being conducted by hybrid with in-person and remote participation options. For the public to join the meeting remotely, by telephone call 1-786-535-3211 access code 991-599-357, join by computer: <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/991599357>.

All supporting materials that have been provided to members of this body are available on the Town's website. The public is encouraged to follow along using the posted agenda.

Chair Cavanaugh confirmed that all members that were participating remotely were present and could hear her:

- Kevin Kennedy - Here
- Ed Coleman - Here
- Michael Marshall - Yes
- Patrick Jones - Here

Town Officials:

- CFO/Assistant Town Manager Ed Kazanovicz - Here

The Chair announced that the meeting was being recorded by Auburn Cable Television and that each vote to be taken in the meeting would be conducted by roll call vote.

The meeting was called to order at 6:32 P.M. by the Chair Anne Cavanaugh.

Ms. Cavanaugh gave an overview of the meeting agenda.

The Finance Committee met with Acting School Superintendent Beth Chamberland and School Business Manager Cecelia Wirzbicki regarding the FY2023 School Budget request for \$28,870,214.33.

The Acting Superintendent gave a presentation to the Finance Committee (attached) that discussed the School Committee's strategic plan, budget priorities, assumptions, and projections for FY2023.

Following the operating budget discussion, the Finance Committee reviewed the CIP requests for the School Department. There was discussion about the iPad equipment purchase item.

The Finance Committee then voted to recommend approval of a total bottom-line appropriation of \$28,870,214.00 for #01201 School Department for FY2023 (Motion made by Mr. Kennedy; motion seconded by Mr. Coleman) roll call vote: Mr. Kennedy, Yes; Mr. Coleman, Yes; Mr. Marshall, Yes; Mr. Jones, Yes; Ms. Cavanaugh Yes - passed 5 to 0.

Trevor Sansoucy was then participating remotely.

Superintendent-Director Kyle Brenner was in attendance, as well as Business Manager Irene Houle and Southern Worcester County Regional Vocational School Committee representative from Auburn, Donald Erickson.

Mr. Brenner gave a budget presentation based on the Governor's House 1 Budget.

The Finance Committee then voted to recommend approval of a total bottom-line appropriation of \$1,503,407.00 for #01302 Bay Path for FY2023 (Motion made by Mr. Kennedy; motion seconded by Mr. Coleman) roll call vote: Mr. Kennedy, Yes; Mr. Coleman, Yes; Mr. Marshall, Yes; Mr. Jones, Yes; Mr. Sansoucy, Yes; Ms. Cavanaugh Yes - passed 6 to 0.

Finance Department (#01135 Accounting, #01141 Assessing, and #01145 Treasury/Collections) - The Finance Committee voted to recommend approval of a total budget appropriation of \$858,475.00 for FY2023 as presented in the recommendation of Town Manager (Motion made by Mr. Kennedy; motion seconded by Mr. Coleman) roll call vote: Mr. Kennedy, Yes; Mr. Coleman, Yes; Mr. Marshall, Yes; Mr. Jones, Yes; Mr. Sansoucy, Yes; Ms. Cavanaugh Yes - passed 6 to 0.

#01710 Maturing Debt - The Finance Committee voted to recommend approval of a total budget appropriation of \$4,393,379.00 for FY2023 as presented in the recommendation of Town Manager (Motion made by Mr. Kennedy; motion seconded by Mr. Coleman) roll call vote: Mr. Kennedy, Yes; Mr. Coleman, Yes; Mr. Marshall, Yes; Mr. Jones, Yes; Mr. Sansoucy, Yes; Ms. Cavanaugh Yes - passed 6 to 0.

#01752 Interest - The Finance Committee voted to recommend approval of a total budget appropriation of \$976,356.00 for FY2023 as presented in the recommendation of Town Manager (Motion made by Mr. Kennedy; motion seconded by Mr. Coleman) roll call vote: Mr. Kennedy, Yes; Mr. Coleman, Yes; Mr. Marshall, Yes; Mr. Jones, Yes; Mr. Sansoucy, Yes; Ms. Cavanaugh Yes - passed 6 to 0.

#01910 Pensions and Benefits - The Finance Committee voted to recommend approval of a total budget appropriation of \$13,566,218.00 for FY2023 as presented in the recommendation of Town Manager (Motion made by Mr. Kennedy; motion seconded by Mr. Coleman) roll call vote: Mr. Kennedy, Yes; Mr. Coleman, Yes; Mr. Marshall, Yes; Mr. Jones, Yes; Mr. Sansoucy, Yes; Ms. Cavanaugh Yes - passed 6 to 0.

At 8:17 P.M. the Finance Committee voted to adjourn the meeting (Motion made by Mr. Kennedy; motion seconded by Mr. Coleman) roll call vote: Mr. Sansoucy, Yes; Mr. Marshall, Yes; Mr. Kennedy, Yes; Mr. Coleman, Yes; Mr. Jones, Yes; Ms. Cavanaugh, Yes - passed 6 to 0.

The following documents were part of the Finance Committee's Meeting of March 9, 2022 and are retained in the Executive Office of the Town Manager:

- March 9, 2022 Agenda
- FY2023 Department Budget Requests - School Department, Bay Path, Finance Department (Accounting, Assessing, Treasury/Collections), Maturing Debt, Interest, and Pensions and Benefits