

Coventry Board of Education
Coventry, Connecticut

Joint Town Finance/BOE Fiscal Committees Meeting

Unapproved Minutes of July 14, 2022
Administration Building Conference Room

BOE Fiscal Committee Members Present:

Mary Kortmann, Chair
Peter DePaola
Emma Eaton

Town Finance Committee Members Present:

Robyn Gallagher, Chair
Marty Milkovic
Lisa Thomas, Town Council Chairperson

Also Present:

Dr. David J. Petrone, Superintendent of Schools
Robert Carroll, Director of Finance and Operations
John Elsesser, Town Manager
Amanda Backhaus, Town Finance Director / Treasurer

Audience Member Present: Eugene Marchand, Board Member

I. Call to Order

M. Kortmann called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

II. Discussion: Capital Improvement Plan

M. Kortmann reviewed items on the Town's Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) list: *Project by Funding Source FY23 - FY27*. She verified which items could be spent, or what needed additional clarification.

There was a review of what was spent out of the FY22 general operating budget.

III. Discussion: FY22 Year End Summary

III.A. 21-22 General Fund Status

Mr. Carroll noted the amount being returned to the Town would be \$3,773.16. Dr. Petrone said the year ended with \$40,000 being transferred to the 2% non-lapsing account.

IV. Update: Coventry Academy Addition

Mr. Carroll explained that there will be an addition completed at the Academy. Dr. Petrone said there was a delay in construction, but they still expect to finish before the end of the summer. Mr. Elsesser noted this project is being funded by a grant. Dr. Petrone reviewed

the program at the Academy. Robyn Gallagher said she appreciates the growth of programs and that we can draw in tuition students from other districts.

V. Update: Microgrid Project

Mr. Elsesser said, currently, there is a new firm attempting to complete the project. He said there is a need to look at resetting the pricing due to the increase in electrical costs. He added that they are looking at who will do the work on that. He said he is not anticipating that the project will move forward in the end, but he hopes we will know within the next two months.

VI. Update: CHS and GHR Roof Replacement Project

Mr. Elsesser noted the bids are due Wednesday next week, and the building committee meets the next day. He said we hope to have times set directly following that. He reviewed the process to date.

Mr. Elsesser also talked about the HVAC project that Coventry could qualify for; Dr. Petrone noted we are waiting for information to be released.

Mr. Carroll said the state was very critical of the projected cost of the roof projects provided by the architect. Mr. Elsesser said that Mr. Malik was using current bids.

Mr. Elsesser provided a brief update on the CHS Walls Project, which may actually be completed by the end of this year.

VII. Adjournment

MOTION: To Adjourn the Joint Town Finance/BOE Fiscal Meeting at 6:43 p.m.

By: P. DePaola

Seconded: E. Eaton

Result: Motion carries unanimously

Respectfully submitted,

Kimberlee Arey Delorme
Board Clerk

Approved: _____