

**TOWN OF BOZRAH
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The **Bozrah Board of Finance** will hold the Special meeting on **Monday, August 24, 2020 at 7:00 PM** using the remote meeting tool zoom.

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AGENDA

- 1) Call to order/attendance
- 2) Public comment(s)
- 3) Review minutes from the Board of Finance meetings on June 22, 2020 and July 9, 2020
- 4) Hear and act on a request from the Board of Education for funding to mitigate COVID 19 challenges.
- 5) Hear and act on a request from the Board of Selectman to allocates money for the fuel oil tank replacement.
- 6) Public comment(s)
- 7) Adjourn

Michael J. O'Connor, Chairman

TOWN OF BOZRAH
REGULAR MEETING
BOARD OF FINANCE
ZOOM VIDEO CONFERENCE
June 22, 2020

Item 1: Chairman Mike O'Connor called the Special Meeting of the Bozrah Board of Finance(BOF) to order via Zoom on June 22, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.

Members Present: Chairman Mike O'Connor, Raymond Barber, Michel Leask, Phil Lavallee, and Evan Gilman.

Others Present: First Selectman Carl Zorn, Selectman Bill Ballinger, Selectman Glenn Pianka, Town Treasurer Diana Santo, Tax Collector Nancy Renshaw, BOE Jeanne Goulart, Financial Manager Sue Lyon and 7 members of the public.

Item 2: Public Comment

Ray Barber, Goshen Road, commented on meeting via Zoom.

Item 3: Approve the minutes from the BOF Special Meeting on May 27, 2020

MOTION 1: M. Leask made a motion to approve the minutes from the BOF Special Meeting on May 27, 2020 with a correction of Ruth Levy as Superintendent and Eileen Hargreaves as Special Education Director. P. Lavallee seconded the motion.

Vote unanimous - **MOTION CARRIED**

Item 4: Report from the Treasurer

Diana Santo presented the board with the Treasurer's report. Attachment 1.

Item 5: Report from the Tax Collector

Nancy Renshaw presented the board with the Tax Collector's report. Attachment 2.

N. Renshaw noted on October 1, 2020 tax sales can be completed when courts are in session.

Item 6: Board of Selectmen

a) Update on current budget status for FY 2019-2020

C. Zorn noted some overages in the budget that will be discussed next for transfers. C. Zorn

noted other than that the BOS budget for FY 2019-2020 looks good.

- b) Hear and act on transfer request for FY 2019-2020

C. Zorn presented the BOF with the BOS transfer requests. Attachment 3.

MOTION 2: P. Lavalley made a motion to approve the transfers requested by the Board of Selectmen from the general government budget in the amount of \$32,000. M. Leask seconded the motion.

Vote unanimous - **MOTION CARRIED**

MOTION 3: P. Lavalley made a motion to approve the transfers requested by the Board of Selectmen from the capital budget in the amount of \$7,400. E. Gilman seconded the motion.

Vote unanimous - **MOTION CARRIED**

- c) Projected end of year turnback to general fund for FY 2019-2020

C. Zorn noted the BOS estimates a 15 - 20% (\$205,350) return to the general fund for FY 2019-2020.

Item 7: Board of Education

- a) Update on current budget status for FY 2019-2020

J. Goulart presented the BOF with the BOE current budget status. Attachment 4.

- b) Projected end of year turnback to general fund for FY 2019-2020

J. Goulart noted a projected turnback of \$99,212 to the general fund for FY 2019-2020.

Item 8: Fill Board of Finance vacancy created by Ann Chamber's resignation

M. O'Connor noted Steve Seder has agreed to fill the vacancy until the next election.

MOTION 4: R. Barber made a motion for Steve Seder to fill the vacancy on the Board of Finance following Ann Chamber's resignation from now until the next municipal election. M. Leask seconded the motion.

Vote unanimous - **MOTION CARRIED**

Item 9: Such other business as the board may vote to hear

None.

Item 10: Public Comments

None.

Item 11: Adjourn

MOTION 5: P. Lavallee made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:34 p.m. M. Leask seconded the motion.

Vote unanimous - **MOTION CARRIED**

Respectfully Submitted for the Board,

Heather Barber
Recording Secretary

TOWN OF BOZRAH
SPECIAL MEETING
BOARD OF FINANCE
ZOOM VIDEO CONFERENCE
July 9, 2020

Item 1: Chairman Mike O'Connor called the Special Meeting of the Bozrah Board of Finance(BOF) to order via Zoom on July 9, 2020 at 6:45p.m.

Members Present: Chairman Mike O'Connor, Raymond Barber, Michel Leask, Phil Lavallee, Steve Seder and Evan Gilman.

Others Present: First Selectman Carl Zorn, Selectman Bill Ballinger, Selectman Glenn Pianka, Town Treasurer Diana Santo and 7 members of the public.

Item 2: Public Comment

Jeremy Tarasevich, Fitchville Road, commented on his support of the money requested by the Board of Selectmen for the Bozrah Summer Program.

Item 3: Hear and act on Board of Selectmen's request to fund the summer recreation program

C. Zorn presented the board with a request from the Board of Selectmen of \$6,000 for the Bozrah Summer Program. C. Zorn noted initially the Board of Selectmen took the Summer Program out of the budget to keep the budget low and to follow the Governor's orders due to COVID-19. Since then, the Governor's orders have changed and a summer day camp is allowed. C. Zorn noted the summer program staff's pay rates are high compared to other part time positions in town. C. Zorn noted he planned on bringing the summer program staff's pay rate to \$17 an hour from \$19.47 an hour. C. Zorn also presented the option to have the kids from Bozrah attend the day program in Montville if the current Bozrah Summer Program staff choose not to take the pay cut.

R. Barber noted the summer program staff's pay rate should stay the same as last year at \$19.47 an hour. R. Barber also noted he was not in support of using town money for kids to attend a summer program in another town.

M. Leask referred to the discussion in the Board of Selectmen meeting on hiring a third staff for the summer program at \$15 an hour. M. Leask questioned if that third person would be a regular staff member or only there in case needed. C. Zorn noted the third staff member would be used as back up in case a regular staff member could not go. M. Leask also questioned if all liability issues had been cleared. C. Zorn noted they have not been cleared yet.

P. Lavallee questioned what the profits were from the summer program last year. D. Santo noted there was about \$3,000 in profits from the summer program last year. D. Santo noted last year each camper paid \$15 a day and there was an average of 8 campers each day. D. Santo noted last year the summer program staff's pay rates were increased with an expectation of more participants due to increased hours.

MOTION 1: S. Seder made a motion to approve the Board of Selectmen's request for \$6,000 to the recreation account from the general fund for the Summer Program. M. Leask seconded the motion.
Vote unanimous - **MOTION CARRIED**

Item 4: Public Comment

Jeremy Tarasevich, Fitchville Road, commented on his support of the summer program and noted the staff's pay should not be cut.

Jordan Kaiser, Bashon Hill, commented on his opposition to the staff's pay cut.

Karen Sanquedolce, Gager Road, commented on her commitment to the summer program and the amount of work she puts into it.

Raymond Barber, Goshen Road, commented for all families wishing to send their children to the summer program email their concerns to the Board of Selectmen.

Item 5: Adjourn

MOTION 2: R. Barber made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:13 p.m. P. Lavallee seconded the motion.

Vote unanimous - **MOTION CARRIED**

Respectfully submitted for the Board,

Recording Secretary
Heather Barber