Notice of Public Meeting – (As required by G.L. c. 30 A. c. §18-25)

DEPT./BOARD: Ways and Means
DATE: December 18, 2019
TIME: 7:00 PM
PLACE: Town Hall Main Meeting Room

AGENDA:

• Pledge of Allegiance

• Public Comments

• FY 2020-2021 Budget Guideline

• Approval of Minutes

• Adjourn
Meeting Minutes

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TIME: 7pm
PLACE: Burlington Town Hall, Main Hearing Room

Present: Roger Riggs – Chair, Steve Morin – Vice-Chairman, Doug Davidson, Phil Gallagher, Susan Harrigan, Frank Monaco, Brad Bond, Jayashree Voruganti, Tom Killilea, Rob Neufeld
Absent: Michael Hardy, John Iler, David Tait, Sonia Rollins, Diane Creedon

Guests:
Town Administrator - Paul Sagarino, Town Accountant John Danizio
School Superintendent - Eric Conti
School Committee - Christine Monaco, Martha Simon

Public Comments:

Diana Marcus, President of the Burlington Educators Association, made comments in support of well-funded school budget.

FY 2020-2021 Budget Guideline:

John Danizio and Paul Sagarino presented the budget guidelines for FY 2020-2021 in comparison to the previous fiscal year. The committee and guests discussed improving the budget guideline process to include a concentrated effort to plan for the budget and calculate an estimated tax levy at the same time, as well as building a sustainable financial model to prepare for future infrastructure investments and needs. The administration reached a consensus for a 3.5% blended increase between the town and schools’ operating budget.

Motion: Approve an operating budget guideline of 3.5% blended increase between town and schools.

Vote: 8-0-1 (Tom)
Approval of Minutes:

Approval of minutes of 9/11/2019

Vote: 7-0-3

Open Meeting Training:

There was a brief review of open meeting training and reminders of the implications for W&M.

Adjourn - Unanimous