

**March 19, 2022
Board of Finance
and
Town Council Finance Committee
#1 Public Budget Hearing
2022-2023**

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Lainie McHugh called the virtual meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. via Zoom. All those present joined in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Board of Finance members present / absent:

PRESENT

Lainie McHugh
Paul Timpanelli
Michael Barker
Marty Isaac
Scott Zimov
Elaine Hammers
Vincent DeGennaro – Alternate
Marc Mascola – Alternate
Christine El Eris – Alternate

ABSENT

The Finance Committee had a quorum:

Mary Isaac, Vice Chairman
Dawn Cantafo
Michael Buswell, Alternate
Kevin Shively, Chairman
Nicole Satin
Joy Colon, Alternate

Tony Scinto

Also present:

First Selectman Vicki Tesoro; Ashley Gaudiano, Town Council Chairman

The Chairman opened the meeting indicating the next Public Hearing is Tuesday, March 29, 2022 at 7:00 pm. It has yet to be determined if this Tuesday meeting will be in person or via zoom. She hopes to post this soon. If you have any questions, you can email the Board of Finance at BOF@trumbull-ct.gov or the Chairman directly at lmchugh@trumbull-ct.gov and she will forward the e-mail to everyone.

Frank Squiccimarro
5109 Madison Avenue

- The PTA Council supports the BOE 2022-2023 4.45% budget increase request to rebuild and restore the Trumbull public schools and support teaching and learning for all TPS students. We understand the First Selectman recommended an increase of 3% but we feel that it will affect the long-term quality and sustainability of our school system.

Monica Terry
153 No. Stowe Place

- Please reconsider Dr. Semmel's proposed budget and come up with creative ways as suggested by the First Selectman.

Lisa Zielinski
9 Surrey Lane

- Trumbull public educator and parent of 4 children in the school system. She works in the school system and she sees how stretched everyone is as a repercussion of Covid-19, so she asks that you support the BOE's proposed budget in full.

Tony D'Aquila
29 Valley View Road

- Trumbull has invested heavily in the Trumbull school system. He has always supported the schools.
- He understands that the purchase of 26 acres on Hardy Lane is for a new Senior Center and he thinks it is time the seniors receive the attention they deserve.

The Chairman indicated that there is no plan for a new Senior Center in the budget this year.

By unanimous consent, the meeting adjourned at 10:20 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Phyllis C. Collier

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Board of Finance Clerk