

**MINUTES OF THE CHESHIRE TOWN COUNCIL BUDGET COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD ON TUESDAY, AUGUST 13, 2019 AT 6:15 P.M. IN ROOM 207 TOWN HALL,
84 SOUTH MAIN STREET, CHESHIRE CT 06410**

Present

Chairman Timothy Slocum and Jeffrey Falk; Absent - Sylvia Nichols
Staff: Town Manager Sean Kimball; Assistant Town Manager Arnett Talbot;
Finance Director James Jaskot.

Budget Committee Chairman Slocum opened the meeting at 6:16 p.m.

1. ROLL CALL

The clerk called the roll and a quorum was determined to be present.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The group Pledged Allegiance to the Flag.

3. Acceptance and appropriation of a cumulative donation of \$29.10 from CAF America to the Recreation Gift Account for the Dog Park.
4. Acceptance and appropriation of a \$250 door prize donation from Tours Of Distinction to the Human Services Gift Account for the Senior Center.
5. Acceptance and appropriation of a \$25 donation from Consuelo Hill to the Human Services Gift Account for the Senior Center.
6. Acceptance and appropriation of a \$30 donation from Nicoletta and Severino Fasulo to the Jitney Bus Fund.
7. Acceptance and appropriation of a \$20 donation from Mr. and Mrs. Henry Wallinger to the Human Services Gift Account for the Senior Center.
8. Acceptance and appropriation of a \$312 donation from the lobby donation container to the Library Gift Account to be used for general purposes.
9. Acceptance and appropriation of a \$40 donation from Martin Coburn to The Library Gift Account to be used for general purposes.
10. Acceptance and appropriation of a \$50 donation from Jean and Bill Wheaton To the Library Gift Account to be used for general purposes.
11. Acceptance and appropriation of a \$100 donation from the Cheshire Lions Club to the Library Gift Account to be used for general purposes.
12. Acceptance and appropriation of \$2,515.54 from the Library Lost & Paid Account to the Library Gift Account to be used for general purposes.

13. Acceptance and appropriation of a \$50 donation in memory of Enis Dellacamera to the Human Services Gift Account for the Senior Center.
14. Acceptance and appropriation of a \$18,499 reimbursement from the Connecticut State Library to the Library Gift Account to be used for general purposes.
15. Authorization to apply for the annual Connecticut Department of Children And Families Youth Services Bureau Enhancement Grant for \$10,734.

MOTION by Mr. Falk; seconded by Mr. Slocum.

MOVED to approve agenda items #3 through #15 and forward to the full Town Council for approval.

VOTE The motion passed unanimously by those present.

16. Approval of FY 18-19 General Operating Budget Transfers.

MOTION by Ms. Nichols; seconded by Mr. Falk.

MOVED to approve agenda item #16 and forward to the full Town Council for approval.

Discussion

A copy of the budgetary transfers will be attached to the Town Council minutes.

Mr. Jaskot explained that the General Fund transfers for FY 2019 total \$102,000, which is less than the average transfer over the last five years of \$161,570. The contingency of \$125,000 was absorbed by the \$102,000 transfer. Mr. Jaskot reviewed the details of the transfers by department.

Town Council – advertising, P/F/T, meetings/conferences/seminars - \$10,700

Fire Department – staff turnover/payout of sick and vacation time; supplies, maintenance and tools -\$29,100

Inspection Dept.- staff turnover/payout of sick and vacation time; temp help - \$7,900

Public Health – consultants/ambulance contract - \$26,200

Fine Arts – program services \$2,800; fees increased this year.

Parks & Recreation Pool – additional appropriation to cover utility expenses over budget/\$50,000 more funding for expenditures/\$50,000 loss in revenue; Total \$100,000 transferred more than budgeted. June 2019 – high fee revenue, best in 3 years. Fund Balance about \$30,000.

VOTE The motion passed unanimously by those present.

17. Approval of bonding authorization and appropriation and bond re-allocation For the Parks restroom capital projects of \$142,000.

MOTION by Ms. Nichols; seconded by Mr. Falk.

MOVED to approve agenda item #18 and forward to the full Town Council for approval.

Discussion

Mr. Jaskot informed the committee there are enough capital appropriations for the upgrades at Mixville, McNamara, Lock 12 and Cheshire Parks. One of the capital appropriations of \$180,000 was limited in scope to Quinnipiac Park restrooms. It was decided to defer this project for the 2019 Capital Expenditure Plan, and it will go forward separately.

VOTE The motion passed unanimously by those present.

18. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Ms. Nichols ; seconded by Mr. Falk.

MOVED to adjourn the meeting at 6:37 p.m.

VOTE The motion passed unanimously by those present.

Attest:

Marilyn W. Milton, Clerk