## BOARD OF FINANCE PUBLIC HEARING ON

## **BOARD OF SELECTMEN FY25 BUDGET**

March 18, 2024 7:00 P.M.

## MIDDLEBROOK SCHOOL AUDITORIUM & VIA ZOOM

**PRESENT:** 

Board of Finance: Matthew Raimondi, Stewart Koenigsberg (via Zoom), Sandra Arkell, Timothy Birch (via Zoom),

Rudy Escalante, Prasad Iyer

Board of Selectmen: First Selectman Toni Boucher, Joshua Cole, Kimberley Healy, Basam Nabulsi,

**Ross Tartell** 

ALSO PRESENT: Dawn Norton (CFO), Matthew Knickerbocker (Town Administrator), members of the public

Board of Finance Chair Matthew Raimondi called the Public Hearing to order at 7:00 p.m. He proceeded to give an overview of the entire FY2025 budget. After reviewing the financials, Mr. Raimondi noted that Budget and Mil Rate Deliberations will taking place on April 2-4, 2024 and the Annual Town Meeting would be on May 7, 2024 with adjourned voting taking place on May 11, 2024. Mr. Raimondi concluded his comments and he introduced First Selectman Toni Boucher.

Ms. Boucher began her review on the FY2025 BOS Budget. She began by thanking the BOS members, BOF members, BOE members, Town Administrator, CFO and town employees for all their hard work. The BOS is requesting a total operating budget, including operating capital, of \$35,876,501, which is 4.07% increase vs the FY2024 approved budget.

After the First Selectman's presentation Mr. Raimondi also thanked the BOS, CFO and Town Administrator for all their hard work. He then introduced the BOF members present and via zoom at the meeting. He then opened the floor to public comment. Four residents commented with Ms. Boucher and Mr. Raimondi providing answers to questions posed:

Deborah McFadden of Westport Rd Paul Hannah of Shagbark Place Warren Serenbetz of Signal Hill Rd Jeff Rutishauser of Maplewood Lane

There being nothing further, the hearing was adjourned at 7:54 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jacqueline Rochester (from video recording)

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