Town of Bridgewater

Budget & Finance Committee

October 10, 2023
6:15 PM
66 Central Square
Academy Building
Council Chamber, 2nd Floor
Bridgewater, MA 02324

MEETING AGENDA

A. Call to Order

B. Approval of Meeting Minutes

a) August 8, 2023 Meeting Minutes

b) September 5, 2023 Meeting Minutes

C. Public Comment

D. Legislation Referred

a) Order O-FY24-010: Loan Authorization: Water Well #5A Replacement

b) Order O-FY24-011: Loan Authorization: Water Well #9 Replacement

E. Public Comment

F. Adjournment of Meeting

Town of Bridgewater

Budget & Finance Committee

August 8, 2023
6:15 PM

MEETING MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER
Councilor Gallagher called the meeting to order at 6:15pm The meeting took place in Conference Room 201A, 2nd Floor of the Academy Building.

Council Members Present:

Councilor Gallagher and Councilor Linde. Also in attendance was Town Manager Michael Dutton and Finance manager Laurie Guerrini.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

a) June 20, 2023 Meeting Minutes
Councilor Linde made a motion to approve the 6/20/23 meeting minutes, which was duly seconded by Councilor Gallagher.

Voice vote was taken with the results recorded as follows: Gallagher – Yea; Linde - Yea; George – Absent. Motion passed 2-0.

PUBLIC COMMENT - None

LEGISLATION REFERRED

a) Resolution R-FY24-001: A Resolution to Apply for, Accept, and Expend a Grant from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs, Division of Conservation services' Local Acquisitions for Natural Diversity (Land) Grant Program

Town Manager Dutton gave a brief update on the resolution. Resolution is required for the grant and grant will offset cost 66% if awarded.

Council Linde made a motion to recommend Resolution R-FY24-001, which was duly seconded by Councilor Gallagher.

Voice vote was taken with the results recorded as follows: Gallagher – Yea; Linde - Yea; George – Absent. Motion passed 2-0.

b) Order O-FY24-008 Transfer Order: Broad Street Two Lot Property Purchase

Town Manager Dutton noted that the property abuts Broad Street and will be added to the park system.

Council Linde made a motion to recommend Order O-FY24-008, which was duly seconded by Councilor Gallagher.

Voice vote was taken with the results recorded as follows: Gallagher – Yea; Linde - Yea; George – Absent. Motion passed 2-0.

c) Order O-FY23-065: Acceptance of Gift - BSU $55,000

Council Linde made a motion to recommend Order O-FY23-065, which was duly seconded by Councilor Gallagher.

Voice vote was taken with the results recorded as follows: Gallagher – Yea; Linde - Yea; George – Absent. Motion passed 2-0.

PUBLIC COMMENT – None

ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

Council Linde made a motion to adjourn, which was duly seconded by Councilor Gallagher.

Voice vote was taken with the results recorded as follows: Gallagher – Yea; Linde - Yea; George – Absent. Motion passed 2-0.

Meeting adjourned at 6:31pm.

Town of Bridgewater

Budget & Finance Committee

September 5, 2023
6:30 PM
Academy Building
66 Central Square
Conference Room 201A

MEETING MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER
Councilor Gallagher called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. The meeting took place in Conference Room 201A, 2nd Floor of the Academy Building.

Council Members Present:

Councilor Gallagher, Councilor George and Councilor Linde. Also in attendance was Town Manager Michael Dutton.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES – None

PUBLIC COMMENT – None

LEGISLATION REFERRED

a) Order O-FY24-009: Transfer Order - Contractual Buyouts

Councilor George made a motion to recommend Order O-FY24-009, which was duly seconded by Councilor Linde.

Voice vote was taken with the results recorded as follows: Gallagher – Yea; Linde - Yea; George – Yea. Motion passed 3-0.

PUBLIC COMMENT – None

ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

Councilor George made a motion to adjourn, which was duly seconded by Councilor Linde.

Voice vote was taken with the results recorded as follows: Gallagher – Yea; Linde - Yea; George – Yea. Motion passed 3-0.

Meeting adjourned at 6:33pm.

Bridgewater Town Council

Introduced By:	Town Manager
Date Introduced:	9/19/2023
First Reading:	9/19/2023
Second Reading:	10/10/2023
Amendments Adopted:	
Third Reading:	
Date Adopted:	
Date Effective:	

Order O-FY24-010: Loan Authorization: Water Well #5A Replacement

ORDERED, that the Town Council assembled vote to

ORDERED, that, $1,000,000 is appropriated, to be expended, for the purpose of financing the planning, design, and construction of replacing Town Water Well #5A, including without limitation all costs incidental or related thereto; that to meet this appropriation the Treasurer with the approval of the Town Manager is authorized to borrow said amount and issue bonds or notes therefor under Chapter 44 of the General Laws and/or Chapter 29C of the General Laws; that the Treasurer with the approval of the Town Manager is authorized to borrow all or a portion of such amount from the Massachusetts Clean Water Trust established pursuant to Chapter 29C; and in connection therewith to enter into a financing agreement and/or a security agreement with the Trust and otherwise to contract with the Trust and the Department of Environmental Protection with respect to such loan and for any federal or state aid available for the project or for the financing thereof; that the Town Manager is authorized to enter into a project regulatory agreement with the department of Environmental Protection, to expend all funds available for the project and to take any other action necessary or convenient to carry out the project

Explanation

Two Town wells have reached their end-of-life. This order finances the replacement of Well #5A with a well that will produce a minimum of 230 gpm (0.33 MGD) (the design capacity of Well #5A) or higher. The estimated cost for field investigations, testing permitting and construction of new replacement well is $1M (approximately $400,000 for investigation, permitting, design, and bidding and $500,000 to $600,000 for construction)

Committee Referrals and Dispositions:

Referral(s)	Disposition(s)

VOICE VOTE - REFER TO ADVERTISING

• Budget & Finance	• Meeting 10/10/23 prior to Town Council meeting.
• Finance Committee	• 10/2/23: Voted 6-0 to recommend

Attachments: None

VOICE VOTE - REFER TO ADVERTISING

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Order O-FY24-011: Loan Authorization: Water Well #9 Replacement

ORDERED, that the Town Council assembled vote to

ORDERED, that, $1,000,000 is appropriated, to be expended, for the purpose of financing the planning, design, and construction of replacing Town Water Well #9, including without limitation all costs incidental or related thereto; that to meet this appropriation the Treasurer with the approval of the Town Manager is authorized to borrow said amount and issue bonds or notes therefor under Chapter 44 of the General Laws and/or Chapter 29C of the General Laws; that the Treasurer with the approval of the Town Manager is authorized to borrow all or a portion of such amount from the Massachusetts Clean Water Trust established pursuant to Chapter 29C; and in connection therewith to enter into a financing agreement and/or a security agreement with the Trust and otherwise to contract with the Trust and the Department of Environmental Protection with respect to such loan and for any federal or state aid available for the project or for the financing thereof; that the Town Manager is authorized to enter into a project regulatory agreement with the department of Environmental Protection, to expend all funds available for the project and to take any other action necessary or convenient to carry out the project

Explanation:
Two Town wells have reached their end-of-life. This order finances the replacement of Well #9 with a well that will produce a minimum of 230 gpm (0.33 MGD) (the design capacity of Well #9) or higher. The estimated cost for field investigations, testing permitting and construction of new replacement well is $1M (approximately $400,000 for investigation, permitting, design, and bidding and $500,000 to $600,000 for construction)

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Referral(s)	Disposition(s)
• Budget and Finance	• Meeting 10/10/23 prior to Town Council meeting

VOICE VOTE - REFER TO ADVERTISING

• Finance Committee	• 10/2/23: 6 - 0 to recommend

Attachments: None

VOICE VOTE - REFER TO ADVERTISING