



Town of Bridgewater

Finance Committee

January 29, 2024

6:30 PM

The meeting will be held virtually via Zoom.

To attend via video, click on the link below:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/87269790299>

To attend via phone, dial: 1(646) 876-9923

Meeting ID: 872 697 902 99

MEETING AGENDA

Disclosure: Pursuant to Section 20 of Chapter 20 of the Acts of 2020, An Act Relative to Extending Certain Covid-19 Measures Adopted During the State of Emergency, and the March 31, 2025, extension granted by Chapter 22 of the Acts of 2022, this meeting for the Town of Bridgewater will be fully remote and accessible to the public through remote participation to the greatest extent possible. No in-person attendance is permitted. Citizens who wish to tune in to the meeting may do so via Zoom.

- A. Call to Order**
- B. Approval of Meeting Minutes**
 - a) December 27, 2023
- C. Public Comment**
- D. Old Business**
 - a) Report from Sub-committee
- E. New Business**
 - a) Review and Discussion of Revenue Sharing Calculations - Acting Finance Director
 - b) Order O-FY24-022: Acceptance of Gift
 - c) Order O-FY24-023: Acceptance of Donation - Oliari Charitable Foundation
- F. Additional Items for Discussion**
- G. Adjournment of Meeting**



Town of Bridgewater **Finance Committee**

MEETING MINUTES

A. Call to Order

B. Approval of Meeting Minutes

a) December 4, 2023

Nathan Schofield motioned to approve the December 4, 2023 meeting minutes which was duly seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.

C. Public Comment

D. Old Business

a) Report of Subcommittee

E. New Business

- a) Order O-FY24-019: Eminent Domain Order of Taking for Two Lot Parcel on Broad Street To take by “friendly” Eminent Domain, a certain parcel of Land in the Town of Bridgewater for Municipal Purposes, namely, to create additional downtown parkland and open space for the benefit of all Bridgewater residents. The property will be incorporated into the Stiles and Hart Parkland.

Julie Scleparis motioned to recommend O-FY24-019 which was duly seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.

- b) Order O-FY24-020: Acceptance of Gift - Lopieke Trust
The Bridgewater Library and the Town of Bridgewater are the beneficiaries of two Lopiekes family trusts. These distributions are pursuant to the instruction contained in the respective trusts.

Nathan Schofield motioned to recommend O-FY24-020 which was duly seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.

- c) Order O-FY24-021: Contractual Buyouts
Contractual Buyouts for police and fire retirements FY24.

Julie Scleparis motioned to recommend O-FY24-021 which was duly seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.

F. Additional Items for Discussion

G. Adjournment of Meeting



Bridgewater Town Council

Introduced By: Town Manager
Date Introduced: 1/16/2024
First Reading: 1/16/2024
Second Reading:
Amendments Adopted:
Third Reading:
Date Adopted:
Date Effective:

Order O-FY24-022: Acceptance of Gift

WHEREAS: Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44, §53A, states as follows: “An officer or department of any city or town ... may accept grants or gifts of funds from the federal government and from a charitable foundation, a private corporation, or an individual, or from the commonwealth, a county or municipality or an agency thereof, ... and may expend such funds for the purposes of such grant or gift ... with the approval of the city manager and city council...;” and

WHEREAS: The Town of Bridgewater shall receive a gift of \$40,000 of equity in property from Joseph E. Bonfiglioli and Anthony T. Bonfiglioli,

Now, therefore, in accordance with Chapter 44, §53A of the Massachusetts General Laws, the Town Council votes to take the following action:

ORDERED that the Town Council of Bridgewater, Massachusetts in Town Council assembled vote to accept the gift of \$40,000.00 from Joseph E. Bonfiglioli and Anthony T. Bonfiglioli.

Explanation:

The Council recently took by friendly eminent domain two building lots off of Broad Street appraised for \$340,000. The agreed sales price was \$300,000, leaving \$40,000 as a gift of equity to the town.

Committee Referrals and Dispositions:

Referral(s)	Disposition(s)
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Attachments: None



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Order O-FY24-023: Acceptance of Donation - Oliari Charitable Foundation

WHEREAS: Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44, §53A, states as follows:

“An officer ... of any city or town ... may accept grants or gifts of funds from ... from the commonwealth ... or an agency thereof, ... and may expend such funds for the purposes of such grant or gift ... with the approval of the city manager and city council...;” and

WHEREAS: The Town of Bridgewater has received a Donation award from Oliari Charitable Foundation for \$20,000 to be split evenly between the Bridgewater Poice and Fire Department Now, therefore, in accordance with Chapter 44, §53A of the Massachusetts General Laws, the Town Council votes to take the following action:

ORDERED that the Town Council of Bridgewater, Massachusetts in Town Council assembled vote to accept and to expend the grant in accordance with stated purpose thereof.

Explanation:

The Oliari Charitable Foundation., has graciously donated \$20,000 for the Police and Fire Departments.

Committee Referrals and Dispositions:

Referral(s)	Disposition(s)
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Attachments: 1. CNT Donation



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Precious Metals

22 December 2023

Michael Dutton
Town Manager
Municipal Offices
22 Central Square
Bridgewater, MA 02324

Dear Mr. Dutton:

Please find the enclosed check for \$20,000.00 intended for the benefit of the Bridgewater Police Department and the Bridgewater Fire Department. The amount is to be split evenly between the two departments and is to be spent at the sole discretion of the respective department heads.

I appreciate your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Danielle M Oliari