



**BROOKFIELD BOARD OF FINANCE**  
**Special Meeting Minutes**  
**Thursday, March 17, 2022 7:00pm**  
**Virtual Meeting**

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**CALL TO ORDER:** Chairman G. Rooney called the meeting to order at 7:00pm; beginning with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Present for the Board:** Chairman G. Rooney, Vice Chairman E. Koch, Secretary B. Ruocco (via Zoom), D. Devorsetz (via Zoom), R. Roudenis, M. Cappiello, and First Selectman T. Carr

**Also Present:** Town Finance Director M. Marien (via Zoom)

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** No Public Comment

**NEW BUSINESS:** After discussion, a motion was made by R. Roudenis, seconded by Chairman G.

Rooney, to approve and recommend to a Town Meeting, the following budget for the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA):

Various Equipment for the Fire Companies	\$ 375,217
BHS Rooftop Air Handle/Air Conditioning Unit	90,000
Still River Greenway Design	75,000
Building Conditions Study for BHS and WMS	100,000
Town Building Accessibility	32,750
Emergency Services Study	50,000
Ambulance Replacement	316,000
Engine 5 Replacement	533,333
Life Packs	12,882
Hurst Tools	140,000
Fire Marshal Training Kit	12,108
	<u>\$ 1,737,290</u>

A motion was made by R. Roudenis, seconded by Vice Chairman E. Koch, to approve and recommend to a Town Meeting and Referendum, the following operating budget for fiscal year 2022-23:

Town operations	\$ 20,683,214
School operations	48,666,148
Debt service	6,264,450
Capital projects	<u>2,132,837</u>
Total	<u>\$ 77,746,649</u>

as outlined and described in the operating budget being submitted to the Town Clerk. This budget represents an increase of 3.15% over the mill rate over the prior fiscal year (adjusted to an

equivalent mill rate after the revaluation) and anticipates a mill rate of 25.88 for fiscal year 2022-23. Motion carries unanimously.

A motion was made by R. Roudenis, seconded by M. Cappiello, to approve and recommend to a Town Meeting and Referendum, an amount not to exceed the following for the capital budgets for fiscal year 2022-23:

Various capital projects	\$ 2,291,560
Town-wide communications system	<u>5,979,500</u>
Total	<u><u>\$ 8,271,060</u></u>

as outlined and described in the capital budget being submitted to the Town Clerk. And to approve financing an amount not to exceed these amounts with the issuance of bonds and/or temporary notes in accordance with the standard bonding and borrowing resolution for said appropriations.

Included in the various capital projects is \$205,000 bonded for a match to the Street Scape Phase 6 project. The total project, in an amount not to exceed \$3,965,766, is also approved subject to obtaining final approval on the State and utility funding.

Motion carries unanimously.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** No Public Comment

**ADJOURNMENT:** A motion was made by Chairman G. Rooney, seconded by R. Roudenis, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carries unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 7:10pm.