**TOWN OF KILLINGLY**

**ANNUAL TOWN MEETING MINUTES**

**Monday, May 2, 2022**

(TO BE ADJOURNED TO MACHINE VOTE)

The Annual Town Meeting of electors and citizens qualified to vote in the Town Meetings of the Town of Killingly, Connecticut, shall be held, pursuant to Section 701 of the Killingly Town Charter, in the auditorium of the Killingly High School, 226 Putnam Pike, Killingly, Connecticut on Monday, May 2, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. to consider, modify and or approve the following:

**ORDINANCE APPROVING THE OPERATING BUDGET FOR**

**THE TOWN OF KILLINGLY FOR FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2022 – JUNE 30, 2023**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF KILLINGLY that, in accordance with Section 1005 of the Town Charter, the budget for the Town of Killingly, Connecticut, for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023, in the amount of $19,809,065 allocated to General Government and $45,029,799 allocated to Education, for a total combined budget of $64,838,864 be adopted.

                                                                                    KILLINGLY TOWN COUNCIL

Jason Anderson, Chairman

**RESOLUTION SETTING THE DATES, TIMES AND PLACES OF THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING AND ADJOURNED ANNUAL TOWN MEETING AND MACHINE VOTE ON THE 2022-2023 BUDGET ORDINANCE**

Pursuant to Section 1007 of the Town Charter and Section 7-7 of the General Statutes, said Town Meeting, at its conclusion, will be adjourned and the aforesaid Ordinance, as submitted or amended, will be submitted to vote upon voting machines scheduled between the hours of 6AM and 8PM, Tuesday, May 10, 2022.

The Ordinance will be placed on the voting machines under the following heading: The dollar value of said questions shall be subject to change based on the amendments from the floor of the Annual Town Meeting.

Those voters approving the questions will vote “YES” and those opposing the questions will vote “NO”. Those voting “NO” will have an additional advisory question “IS THE BUDGET TOO HIGH OR IS THE BUDGET TOO LOW?”

**1. “SHALL THE GENERAL GOVERNMENT BUDGET FOR THE TOWN OF KILLINGLY, CONNECTICUT, IN THE AMOUNT OF $19,809,065 FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2023 BE APPROVED?”**

**2. “SHALL THE EDUCATION BUDGET FOR THE TOWN OF KILLINGLY, CONNECTICUT, IN THE AMOUNT OF $45,029,799** **FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2023 BE APPROVED?”**

Voting will be held at the following Polling Places:

**District #1, District #3 & District #5** **District #2 & District #4**

BOE Central Office Killingly High School

79 Westfield Ave (Cafeteria) 226 Putnam Pike

Killingly, CT Killingly, CT

ABSENTEE BALLOTS WILL BE AVAILABLE ON THE AFTERNOON OF May 3, 2022. PLEASE CONTACT THE TOWN CLERK AT 860-779-5307 ASAP. ALL BALLOTS MUST BE ISSUED IN PERSON ACCORDING TO CONNECTICUT GENERAL STATUTES.

KILLINGLY TOWN COUNCIL

Jason Anderson, Chairman

The Annual Town Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Jason Anderson, Council Chairman. There were approximately 50 people in attendance, and the meeting was videotaped for public access on Channel 22.

The call of the meeting was called by Elizabeth M. Wilson, Town Clerk. Motion was made by Kevin Kerttula, seconded by Andrew Whitehead to nominate Jason Anderson as Moderator of the Annual Town Meeting. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Motion to close nominations was made by Ed Grandelski, seconded by Kevin Kerttula. Motion passed by voice vote..

Vote for Moderator: Unanimous to elect Jason Anderson as Moderator.

Jason Anderson explained the procedure that registered voters, who are U.S. Citizens and who are at least 18 years of age, as well as those residents who are not registered voters, but who own property assessed at $1000.00 or more on the October 1, 2021 Grand List will have an opportunity to speak or vote on the proposed Town and School Budgets. Also stated that on the General Government Budget you must specify a line item you want increased or decreased with the dollar amount. Whereas, with the Board of Education you can only suggest an increase or decrease in the proposed budget (give the dollar amount) but cannot specify where to increase or decrease (bottom-line amount).

The Moderator, Jason Anderson asked to make a Motion limiting the time to 5 minutes per person to speak. Ed Grandelski made the motion and seconded by Kevin Kerttula. Motion passed by voice vote.

The Moderator asked for presentation from both the General Government Budget and from the Board of Education.

Mary Calorio, Town Manager presented a slide presentation for the General Government Budget. Robert Angeli, Superintendent presented a slide presentation for the Board of Education.

The following residents, electors and taxpayers spoke on the General Government Budget:

Dale Dauphinais - 204 Wright Road

Donna Bronwell - 699 Bailey Hill Road – made **MOTION** to increase Line Item 01-50208 $50,000 from the Town Council Contractual Services for Public Relations Consultant.

Ian McDonald - 548 Valley Road – seconded the Motion.

Heidi Clifford - 103 River Street

Ed Grandelski - 877 Upper Maple Street

Paul Kozlowski - 16 Birchwood Terrace

Andrew Whitehead 81 Gloria Avenue

Nancy Grandelski 877 Upper Maple Street

Ida Berris - 1123 North Road

Monique Revellese -14 Palmer Street

Michelle Murphy - 325 Breakneck Hill Road

Joseph Zornado – 32 Foster Street

Ed Grandelski - 877 Upper Maple Street - asked to move the question.

Vote: Hand Vote: 18 IN FAVOR

24 OPPOSED

**MOTION FAILED**

Michelle Murphy **–** 325 Breakneck Hill Road made **MOTION** TO TAKE $20,000 FROM Highway Line Item #50208 to communication line.

Donna Bronwell – 699 Bailey Hill Road - seconded the Motion.

Mary Calorio, Town Manager discussed the Motion

Michelle Murphy – 325 Breakneck Hill Road **AMENDED THE ORIGINAL MOTION** $20,000 from Highway Pavement Fund #50208 to Line Item 09-50297 Temporary Commissions.

Donna Bronwell – seconded the Motion.

Vote: Hand Vote: 23 IN FAVOR

25 OPPOSED

**MOTION FAILED**

**Original Motion:** Vote: Hand Vote: 20 IN FAVOR

32 OPPOSED

**MOTION FAILED**

The following residents, electors and taxpayers spoke on the Education Budget:

Nancy Grandelski – 877 Upper Maple Street - made **MOTION** to Increase the $615,199 that Town Council

Cut from the BOE Budget.

Monique Revellese – 14 Palmer Street – seconded the Motion

Discussion followed:

Norm Ferron – 102 Squaw Rock Road

Ian McDonald – 548 Valley Road

Jason Muscara – 14 Granite Court

Jenelle Provencher – 55 Ladds Lane

Ida Berris – 1123 North Road

Joseph Fodor – 4 Birchwood Drive

Susan Lannon – 5010 Hartford Pike Ext.

Heidi Clifford – 103 River Street

Jennifer Kiku Langford McDonald – 548 Valley Road

Tammy Wakefield – 130 North Street – asked to move the question

Vote: Hand Vote: 16 IN FAVOR

37 OPPOSED

**MOTION FAILED**

The Moderator asked to adjourn at 9:38 p.m. to Machine Vote on Tuesday, May 10th, 2022 between the hours of 6:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. at both polling places. Motion made by Ed Grandelski, seconded by Kevin Kerttula. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth M. Wilson

Town Clerk