

**BETHANY BOARD OF EDUCATION  
Finance Committee Meeting Minutes  
November 9, 2021  
Via Zoom Meeting**

**PRESENT**

Amy Lestinsky  
Colleen Murray, Ex-Officio  
Chris Pittenger, Chair arrived at 5:40 pm

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Colleen Murray  
Kai Byrd  
Brandy Spargo

**ABSENT**

John Paul Garcia  
Shawn Uscilla

**Call to Order**

Mrs. Lestinsky called the meeting to order at 5:34 pm.

**Minutes**

**Motion** by Lestinsky, seconded by Murray to approve the October 12, 2021 meeting minutes as presented. *The motion carries 2 yes, 3 absent (Garcia, Pittenger, Uscilla).*

**New Business**

Mrs. Murray and Mrs. Spargo reviewed the October 2021 Operating Budget Summary.

**Motion** by Pittenger, seconded by Lestinsky to accept the report of expenditures and adjustments to the 2021-2022 Operating Budget for the month of October 2021 as presented and forward to the Board of Education. *The motion carries 3 yes, 2 absent (Garcia, Uscilla).*

Mrs. Murray provided the committee with language from the Solar Lease Contract regarding liability. Mrs. Murray will share the contract with the Town for their legal counsel to advise.

Mrs. Spargo reported that she is waiting for the submission of invoices for open grant projects.

Mrs. Murray and Mrs. Spargo reported 4.7% as the status quo budget increase. They are meeting with department heads and hope to have a first draft budget to present to the Finance Committee in December.

Mrs. Spargo gave the committee a summary of the audit process.

**Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 5:49 p.m.

**Future Agenda Items**

- Approval of the November 9, 2021 minutes
- November 2021 Operating Budget Summary
- 2022-2023 Budget Presentation

  
Colleen Murray  
Recorder

Approved December 7, 2021