

**Approved Minutes  
TOWN OF TRUMBULL  
Unapproved Minutes  
Board of Finance  
Meeting to Set the Mill Rate  
June 9, 2022**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The Chairman called the virtual Board of Finance meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. p.m. via zoom. All joined in the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a moment of silence.

**ATTENDANCE**

The Clerk called the roll and recorded the following:

**Present**

Michael Barker  
Marty Isaac  
Lainie McHugh, Chairman  
Elaine Hammers  
Paul Timpanelli, Vice Chairman  
Scott Zimov  
Vincent DeGennaro- Alternate  
Marc Mascola -Alternate  
Christine El Eris – Alternate

**Absent**

**Also present:**

Vicki Tesoro, First Selectman; Maria Pires, Director of Finance; James Nugent, Esq., Town Attorney; Kathleen McGannon, Chief Administrative Officer

Mr. Timpanelli moved, seconded by Mr. Zimov, to propose a mill rate of 33.68 for fiscal year 2022-2023.

The Chair noted that Ms. Pires sent a more recent calculation to the Board, so Mr. Timpanelli withdrew his motion and Mr. Zimov withdrew his second.

Mr. Timpanelli moved, seconded by Mr. Zimov, to amend the proposed mill rate to 33.64 for fiscal year 2022-2023.

Mr. Zimov questioned the reduction of car tax proposed by the governor. Ms. Pires indicated that per the state, we calculated motor vehicle tax using 32.46. The state will reimburse us the difference between our actual mill of 33.64 and the 32.46 mill rate charged our motor vehicle taxpayers, \$1.6 million.

Discussion followed regarding the funding cliffs created over the last few years by using funds from ARPA and the General Fund.

It was noted that this year, the revaluation showed an increase in residential values and decrease in commercial values, resulting in even larger tax increases to the residential property holders who must make up the difference. It was further noted that an increase in the budget spending would also increase the impact on the residents.

Mr. Barker moved to call the question.

The Clerk called the vote to call the question and recorded the following:

Aye      Nay

Paul Timpanelli		x
Scott Zimov		x
Marty Isaac		x
Elaine Hammers		x
Michael Barker	x	
Lainie McHugh		x

Vote: 1-5-0 motion fails (opposed: Timpanelli, Zimov, Isaac, Hammers, McHugh)

The discussion continued.

It was noted that the EMS should make their budgeted income this year and the town intends to collect the TLC income for this year. The line item for interest income was questioned, since it was thought to be too high at \$300,000. It was noted that the Treasurer thought it could be higher, but was inclined to leave it as is.

Mr. Zimov moved, seconded by Ms. Hammers, to lower interest income revenue by \$50,000 to \$250,000.

The Clerk called the vote and recorded the following:

	Aye	Nay
Paul Timpanelli		x
Scott Zimov	x	
Marty Isaac		x
Elaine Hammers	x	
Michael Barker		x
Lainie McHugh		x

Vote: 2-4-0 motion fails (opposed: Timpanelli, Isaac, Barker, McHugh)

The Clerk called the roll to approve the mill rate as proposed and recorded the following:

	Aye	Nay
Paul Timpanelli	x	
Scott Zimov		x
Marty Isaac	x	
Elaine Hammers		x
Michael Barker	x	
Lainie McHugh	x	

Vote: 4-2-0 motion carries to approve the mill rate of 33.64% (opposed: Zimov; Hammers)

The mill rate is set at 33.64 for the fiscal year 2022-2023

**ADJOURNMENT**

By unanimous consent, the meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

*Phyllis C. Collier*

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