



# TOWN OF BROOKLYN

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Capital Committee  
Meeting Minutes  
Thursday, April 28, 2022  
5:00pm via Zoom &  
Clifford B. Green Memorial Center

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Katherine Brodeur  
TOWN OF BROOKLYN, CT

**Present:** Lou Brodeur, Austin Tanner, Drew Dionne, Matt Allen, Rick Ives, Felix Ramos and Melissa Bradley; Recording Secretary

**Late Arrival:** Mike Gaudreau and Joe Voccio

**Also Present:** Sandy Brodeur, Bucky Lohbusch, Gil Maiato and Rushie Bean

1. **Call to order:** L. Brodeur called the meeting to order at 5:18pm.
2. **Take attendance & establish quorum:** Quorum established.
3. **Review minutes from April 14, 2022 for adoption:** Drew Dionne made a motion to approve the minutes of 4/14/22 as presented. Matt Allen seconded the motion. Motion passed 6-0.
4. **Public comment:** None
5. **Update on this to include trade-in allowance:**
  - a. **Replace existing 2013 JCB Loader tractor w/backhoe.** This would cost the town approximately \$140,000 to replace less what we get for a trade-in allowance on the old unit: John Deere trade in amount given is \$30,000; this is very low. Caterpillar was approached also but has not responded yet. If this item is placed out to bid, the companies may take it more seriously and a better trade in value would be received.
6. **Review the 3 requests from the Parks and Recreation Department for this year's capital. Mike Gaudreau will make the presentation and answer questions.**
  - a. **Resurface Prince Hill basketball court** **\$27,000**
  - b. **Construct new Tennis/Pickleball courts at Price Hill** **\$230,000**
  - c. **Installation of LED lights at tennis courts** **\$30,000**

Bucky Lohbusch presented the three requests answering questions as they came up. The board suggests the tennis/pickleball courts could be a project for ARPA funds, along with the lights for the court.

7. **Review requests that have been received and make decision on the priority for each item to be funded and a list of requests that might be sent to the ARPA committee for consideration through their funds:** The boilers at the school will go through a capital fund transfer and the tennis/ pickle ball court and lighting along with the phone upgrade for the school will go through ARPA.

Rick Ives made a motion to send the following recommendations for capital items to the Board of Finance: Mortlake: replace openers on 9 overhead doors at 12 Canterbury Rd \$27,000 and purchase a new set of battery-operated Hurst tools \$58,400; Resurface Prince Hill basketball courts \$27,000; Purchase new pickup with plow \$63,315 and new loader tractor w/backhoe \$140,000 for the highway department. Drew Dionne seconded the motion. Discussion held on creating a reoccurring capital fund. This will be discussed further with the Board of Finance. Motion passed 8-0.

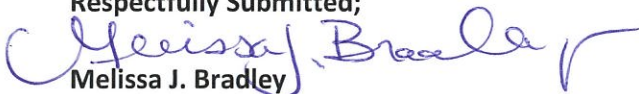
8. **Set date for next meeting if needed:** No date needed at this time.

9. **Tentative date to present to BOF is May 5<sup>th</sup> @ 7pm:** No discussion

10. **Public comment:** None

11. **Adjourn:** Rick Ives made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Drew Dionne seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 6:10pm.

Respectfully Submitted;



Melissa J. Bradley  
Recording Secretary