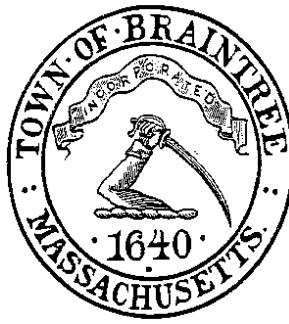


Meredith Boericke  
President  
District 5

Shannon L. Hume  
At Large

David M. Ringius, Jr  
At Large

Julia C. Flaherty  
District 1



Charles B. Ryan  
Vice President  
At Large

Joseph Reynolds  
District 2

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District 3

Stephen C. O'Brien  
District 4

Lawrence C. Mackin, Jr.  
District 6

## OFFICE OF THE TOWN COUNCIL

**Tuesday, JUNE 6, 2023**

### MINUTES

A Meeting of the Town Council, was held in the Cahill Auditorium, Braintree Town Hall, on Tuesday, June 6, 2023, beginning at 7:30p.m.

Council President Boericke was in the chair.

President Boericke asked for a moment of silence for our first responders and all those serving our military home and abroad.

Clerk of the Council, Susan M. Cimino conducted the roll call.

Present: Meredith Boericke, President  
Charles Ryan, Vice President  
Julia Flaherty  
Shannon Hume  
Elizabeth Maglio  
Stephen C. O'Brien (Remote)  
Joseph Reynolds  
David M. Ringius, Jr. (arrived at 7:45pm)

Not Present: Lawrence C. Mackin, Jr.

Others: Ed Spellman, Finance Director  
Walter Timilty, Senator  
James M. Casey, Town Clerk  
Cindy DePina, Director HR  
Melissa Santucci Rozzi, Director Planning & Community Development  
Connor R. Murphy, Assistant Director Planning & Community Development  
James Arsenault, DPW Director  
Donna Ingemanson, founder of Braintree Farmer's Mkt  
Rachel Horack, President of Sustainable Braintree  
Mike Cavanaugh, Vice-President of Sustainable Braintree  
Lisa Fiske-Heger, Chairwoman School Committee  
Residents

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- 029 23 Council President: Women in Leadership Award, Donna Ingemanson

Donna Ingemanson is this year's recipient of the Women in Leadership Award. Donna is the founder of the Braintree Farmers Market. This has added invaluable vibrancy to our community life.

### **Braintree Town Council in Recognition of Donna Ingemanson:**

Is recognized by the Braintree Town Council as the 2023 Women in Leadership Award honoree for displaying intelligence, deep thought, and making impactful change; for serving as a role model for women and girls of all ages.

**Councilor Hume congratulated all the BHS Senior graduates.**

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- March 7, 2023

**Motion:** by Councilor Ryan to Approve Minutes of March 7, 2023

**Second:** by Councilor Hume

**Vote:** For (8 – Boericke, Flaherty, Hume, Maglio, O'Brien, Reynolds, Ringius, Ryan),  
Against (0), Absent (1- Mackin), Abstain (0)

## **COMMUNICATIONS**

- 033 23 Master Plan Steering Committee – Roadshow Presentation

Presentation on items of interest were presented by Melissa Santucci Rozzi and Connor Murphy from the Department of Planning and Community Development.

Using the results of Phase II Engagement and the Vision & Goals Statements co-created by the Master Plan Steering Committee (MPSC), the Consultant Team developed a list of potential strategies for Braintree's Master Plan.

*Now, we want to hear your thoughts!*

MPSC members and Town Staff are bringing this show on the road to meet with boards, committees, civic organizations, and more to hear your ideas. The strategies presented this evening were determined to be relevant to this audience; though, the entire list of strategies can be found on the Project Website.

We have been hyper focused on engagement.

37 Focus Group Participants

123 Attendees at Community Forum #1

1,741 Survey Responses

211 Meeting-in-a-Box Participants

68 Crowdmap Submissions

87 Attendees at Community Forum #2

2,267 participation points so far! With about 200 more with the Road Shows.

My main focus when we began this is I did not want anyone in the community to feel they did not have the opportunity to provide input.

Draft Vision & Goals Organization:

OVERALL VISION - FIVE CORE THEMES

1. CONSERVATION, PRESERVATION, & SUSTAINABILITY
2. ECONOMIC GROWTH
3. TRANSPORTATION
4. HOUSING
5. PUBLIC FACILITIES

Our website has all the documents from the first meeting on. You can follow the master plan from our first kickoff meeting to items distributed and items we undertook with the Master Plan Steering Committee (MPSC) and the public. Our minutes are linked with videos.

### **THE BRAINTREE VISION**

In 2033, Braintree will be. . .

*A well-run, picturesque, welcoming, family-centered suburban community that prioritizes and protects its residential neighborhoods, high-quality and competitive public schools, recreational facilities, rich historic buildings, natural resources, thriving squares and business districts, and community events that instill pride. People will be attracted to Braintree because they aspire to put down roots, raise a family, and belong to a supportive and inclusive community as they age.*

*Braintree will have an abundance of natural open space suitable for active and passive outdoor recreation, as well as a strong program to reduce our municipal carbon footprint.*

*Braintree Town officials will encourage and value collaborative engagement and input from residents who will take part in Town planning initiatives that guide economic growth and development and help ensure fiscal health.*

A Strategy:

Is a deliberate choice about how to achieve your vision and goals;

Involves tradeoffs;

Is specific, measurable, actionable, realistic, and time-based.

We ask what is realistic for Braintree.

We are asking people to rate these ideas and strategies on a scale of 1 to 5.

We provided everyone with an Exit Poll. Please submit this to us after this meeting. We want to understand what the priorities are and how we attach the strategies. Please submit these by Friday this week.

### **HOW SHOULD YOU RATE THESE STRATEGIES?**

The criteria you use will depend on your values.

Examples might include:

: *Greatest positive impact on the most people*

: *Biggest bang for the buck*

: *Effect of residential property taxes*

: *Promotes diversity, equity, and inclusion*

: *Promotes sustainability and resilience*

## DISCUSSION:

What do you think of these criteria for ranking? Which do you value the most? What other ideas do you have for how to determine which strategies to adopt and prioritize?

## UNDERSTANDING SUPPORT

Strategies presented tonight are just ideas for achieving Braintree's Vision and Goals. These were developed using best practices for addressing the problems identified by Braintree's residents through Phase II Engagement as well as best practices for supporting the Vision and Goals.

President Boericke asked that on the 44 strategies – is there a method for only the Council? Why do we not have all of them?

Director SantucciRozzi stated you can send any strategy and put it on your Exit Poll to give your input. There were 188 strategies. The consultant was trying to take the ones relating more to the various disciplines and put them in the modulars.

Director SantucciRozzi stated Strategy 2A says study the fiscal impact of the removal of the transfer station and what revenue would need to be replaced on an annual basis. Partner with private sector to redevelop the site. I hear about Covanta, mostly about the odor, and if residents would like for it to be gone. I'm curious if the Council has any questions on this or if they want to discuss it any more.

Councilor Reynolds stated Covanta is an impediment to our town. It's existence and its location and an impediment to our economic growth.

Director SantucciRozzi stated we will end up with mandates, somethings that just need to be done and dreaming items that are all part of visioning and advancing. Its about making this into something the community can actually achieve.

Councilor Hume stated I am looking at this as a type of wish list. Many things in here have cost measures.

Director SantucciRozzi stated the Master Plan is a 10-year plan and more.

Councilor Reynolds stated this is a guideline of feedback.

Connor Murphy mentioned Strategy 2V – Conduct a study to understand Braintree's ability to attract new commercial life sciences and other industries with attention to workforce housing needs.

3G – undertake traffic study to analyze cut through traffic patterns on residential streets and identify appropriate mitigation strategies.

5E – identify the preferred pathway for addressing the space needs at BHS.

5Q – create Master Plan implementation committee...

5T – designate Braintree as age/dementia friendly community

Councilor Flaherty stated we should put aside the cost and think about this is what I want our community to be. This is what I hope for.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **• 23 032 Town Clerk: Votes Act of 2022: Early Vote By-Mail Opt-Out Provision or take up any action relative thereto**

Council President Boericke asked for a recommendation from Councilor Reynolds, Chairman of the Committee of Ways & Means.

Chairman Reynolds stated the Committee of Ways & Means met and voted unanimously for a favorable recommendation to the full Council with a 3-0 vote.

James M. Casey, Town Clerk explained this Act. It is mandated but allows each community to opt out to a provision if they so choose.

Note: "Yes" vote is to allow for early voting by-mail

Council President Boericke asked if any member of the Council would like to speak on Order 23 032?

Council President Boericke stated vote-by-mail allows access to the ballot box to your mailbox. Residents will need to request a mail-in ballot.

James M. Casey explained they can come into the Town Clerk's office or go on-line to the Secretary of States site and request a ballot.

Council President Boericke asked if there is Motion for Order 23 032.

Motions read by Councilor Ryan:

### **MOTION #1**

Pursuant to the Votes Act of 2022 the Braintree Town Council will not exercise the opt-out provision for early voting by-mail for the September 19, 2023, Local Preliminary Election; or take any other action relative thereto.

**Motion:** by Councilor Ryan to approve Order 23 032 (1)

**Second:** by Councilor Hume

**Vote:** For (8 – Boericke, Flaherty, Hume, Maglio, O'Brien, Reynolds, Ringius, Ryan),  
Against (0), Absent (1- Mackin), Abstain (0)

### **MOTION #2**

Pursuant to the Votes Act of 2022 the Braintree Town Council will not exercise the opt-out provision for early voting by-mail for the November 7, 2023, Local General Election; or take any other action relative thereto.

**Motion:** by Councilor Ryan to approve Order 23 032 (2)

**Second:** by Councilor Hume

**Vote:** For (8 – Boericke, Flaherty, Hume, Maglio, O'Brien, Reynolds, Ringius, Ryan),  
Against (0), Absent (1- Mackin), Abstain (0)

• **23 033 Town Clerk: Votes Act of 2022: Voter Registration – MGL – Section 110A: Office hours on Saturday or take up any action relative thereto**

Council President Boericke asked for a recommendation from Councilor Reynolds, Chairman of the Committee of Ways & Means.

Chairman Reynolds stated the Committee of Ways & Means met and voted unanimously for a favorable recommendation to the full Council with a 3-0 vote.

James M. Casey, Town Clerk explained this changes the Voter Registration Deadline from 20 days prior to election day to 10 days prior to election day which falls on a Saturday 8:30am to 5pm. A Saturday voter registration would add staff working a weekend day and 7 ½ hours of unfunded overtime costs for the town and 4 staff members to spend less time with their families. If this is moved to the Friday, the Saturday they can still use the Secretary of State’s portal to submit registration up to 5pm.

For Municipal elections we are allowed to adopt this Chapter 41 Section 110A.

Council President Boericke asked if any member of the Council would like to speak on Order 23 033?

Council President Boericke asked if there is Motion for Order 23 032.

Motions read by Councilor Ryan:

**MOTION #1**

Pursuant with MGL Chapter 41, Section 110A, to authorize the Town Clerk’s office to remain closed on all Saturdays and to treat Saturdays as a legal holiday for purposes of calculating the time frame for filing matters in that office for the September 19, 2023, Local Preliminary Election; or take any other action relative thereto.

**Motion:** by Councilor Ryan to approve Order 23 033 (1)

**Second:** by Councilor Hume

**Vote:** For (8 – Boericke, Flaherty, Hume, Maglio, O’Brien, Reynolds, Ringius, Ryan),  
Against (0), Absent (1- Mackin), Abstain (0)

**MOTION #2**

Pursuant with MGL Chapter 41, Section 110A, to authorize the Town Clerk’s office to remain closed on all Saturdays and to treat Saturdays as a legal holiday for purposes of calculating the time frame for filing matters in that office for the November 7, 2023, Local General Election; or take any other action relative thereto.

**Motion:** by Councilor Ryan to approve Order 23 033 (2)

**Second:** by Councilor Hume

**Vote:** For (8 – Boericke, Flaherty, Hume, Maglio, O’Brien, Reynolds, Ringius, Ryan),  
Against (0), Absent (1- Mackin), Abstain (0)

• **23 034 Town Clerk: Votes Act of 2022: Police Detail Assignment or take up any action relative thereto**

Council President Boericke asked for a recommendation from Councilor Hume, Vice-Chairwoman of the Committee on Ordinance & Rules.

Vice-Chairwoman Hume stated the Committee on Ordinance & Rules met and voted unanimously for a favorable recommendation to the full Council with a 3-0 vote.

James M. Casey, Town Clerk explained this changes the process on which police details are assigned to polling locations. Currently the Town Clerk and Police Chief determine the appropriate number of details to each polling location as well as additional support as required.

Council President Boericke asked if any member of the Council would like to speak on Order 23 034?

Council President Boericke asked if there is Motion for Order 23 034.

Motion read by Councilor Ryan:

**MOTION:** Upon the request of the Town Clerk, The Town of Braintree, through the Braintree Town Council, it is so ordered the Town Council defers their authority under the Votes Act of 2022, Chapter 92 Section 72 on police detail assignments for elections to the Town Clerk and Police Chief, or their designees, until revoked by council vote.

**Motion:** by Councilor Ryan to approve Order 23 034

**Second:** by Councilor Hume

**Vote:** For (8 – Boericke, Flaherty, Hume, Maglio, O’Brien, Reynolds, Ringius, Ryan),  
Against (0), Absent (1- Mackin), Abstain (0)

• **23 029 Mayor: Establishment of New Revolving Fund for Tree Replacement or take up any action relative thereto (Public Hearing)**

Council President Boericke asked for a Motion to Open the Public Hearing on Order 23 029

Motion by Councilor Ryan to Open Public Hearing for Order 23 029

**Motion:** by Councilor Ryan to Open the Public Hearing for Order 23 029

**Second:** by Councilor Hume

**Vote:** For (8 – Boericke, Flaherty, Hume, Maglio, O’Brien, Reynolds, Ringius, Ryan),  
Against (0), Absent (1- Mackin), Abstain (0)

Council President Boericke asked for a recommendation from Councilor Reynolds, Chairman of the Committee of Ways & Means.

Chairman Reynolds stated the Committee of Ways & Means met and voted unanimously for a favorable recommendation to the full Council with a 3-0 vote.

Council President Boericke asked if any member of the Council or anyone from the Mayor's staff want to speak on Order 23 029?

President Boericke stated this is part of our Tree Protection Ordinance we voted in Council on April 25, 2023. There are 3 components to this Ordinance. First was the Tree Ordinance which we voted. This is the second item which is to set up a revolving account which will pay for replacement trees. The third component will be to incentivize large-scale developers through the site plan review process which will eventually be funding this tree replacement fund.

Council President Boericke asked if any member of the General Public wants to speak on Order 23 029? Hearing none.

Council President Boericke asked if there is Motion to Close the Public Hearing for Order 23 029.

Motion by Councilor Ryan to Close Public Hearing for Order 23 029

**Motion:** by Councilor Ryan to Close the Public Hearing for Order 23 029

**Second:** by Councilor Hume

**Vote:** For (8 – Boericke, Flaherty, Hume, Maglio, O'Brien, Reynolds, Ringius, Ryan),  
Against (0), Absent (1- Mackin), Abstain (0)

Council President Boericke asked if there is Motion for Order 23 029.

Motions 1 and 2 were read by Councilor Ryan:

**MOTION #1:** To amend municipal code 3.140.050 to include subsection J establishing the Tree Replacement Revolving Fund.

**Motion:** by Councilor Ryan to approve Order 23 029 (1)

**Second:** by Councilor Hume

**Vote:** For (8 – Boericke, Flaherty, Hume, Maglio, O'Brien, Reynolds, Ringius, Ryan),  
Against (0), Absent (1- Mackin), Abstain (0)

**MOTION #2:** That, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 44, section 53e1/2 of the General Laws, the Town of Braintree hereby sets the maximum amount that may be spent during fiscal year 2024 beginning July 1, 2023 for the Tree Replacement Revolving Fund as \$100,000.

**Motion:** by Councilor Ryan to approve Order 23 029 (2)

**Second:** by Councilor Hume

**Vote:** For (8 – Boericke, Flaherty, Hume, Maglio, O'Brien, Reynolds, Ringius, Ryan),  
Against (0), Absent (1- Mackin), Abstain (0)



• **23 031 Mayor: Request for Appropriation - CPC Appropriation—Historic Inventory or take up any action relative thereto (Public Hearing)**

Council President Boericke asked for a Motion to Open the Public Hearing on Order 23 031

Motion by Councilor Ryan to Open Public Hearing for Order 23 031

**Motion:** by Councilor Ryan to Open the Public Hearing for Order 23 031

**Second:** by Councilor Hume

**Vote:** For (8 – Boericke, Flaherty, Hume, Maglio, O’Brien, Reynolds, Ringius, Ryan),  
Against (0), Absent (1- Mackin), Abstain (0)

Council President Boericke asked for a recommendation from Councilor Reynolds, Chairman of the Committee of Ways & Means on Order 23 031.

Chairman Reynolds stated the Committee of Ways & Means met and voted unanimously for a favorable recommendation to the full Council with a 3-0 vote.

Council President Boericke asked if any member of the Council or anyone from the Mayor’s staff want to speak on Order 23 031?

Melissa Santucci Rozzi, Director Planning & Community Development stated we are here to ask for \$15,750 in funding which we will add to the \$30,000 received in 2020. Liz Manning, our CPC Manager has done quite a bit of leg work on this particular proposal. We have vetted a firm Eaton architects so we can get this project back on track.

This project is we have hired a historical architect and there’s about 120 properties on a list. They will inventory those properties and prepare the forms that can then be loaded up to the Mass Historical website. Those forms include things about the actual structure itself and also anything significant like if a significant person lived there or something relative to history that took place at this particular property it would be noted on the form.

President Boericke asked what are the qualifying determinants of a property to be included on this list? Melissa Santucci Rozzi stated age significance.

Council President Boericke asked if any member of the General Public wants to speak on Order 23 031? Hearing none.

Council President Boericke asked if there is Motion to Close the Public Hearing for Order 23 031.

Motion by Councilor Ryan to Close Public Hearing for Order 23 031

**Motion:** by Councilor Ryan to Close the Public Hearing for Order 23 031

**Second:** by Councilor Hume

**Vote:** For (8 – Boericke, Flaherty, Hume, Maglio, O’Brien, Reynolds, Ringius, Ryan),  
Against (0), Absent (1- Mackin), Abstain (0)

Council President Boericke asked if there is Motion for Order 23 031.

Motion read by Councilor Ryan:

**MOTION:** That in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 44B of the General Laws and with the recommendation of the Community Preservation Committee, the appropriation of \$15,750 from the Historic Resources Fund for the Historic Resources Survey 2020 – Additional Funds – FY23 CPA Application. Said funds shall be expended under the direction of the Community Preservation Committee and the Director of Planning and Community Development.

**Motion:** by Councilor Ryan to approve Order 23 031

**Second:** by Councilor Hume

**Vote:** For (8 – Boericke, Flaherty, Hume, Maglio, O’Brien, Reynolds, Ringius, Ryan),  
Against (0), Absent (1- Mackin), Abstain (0)

• **23 035 Mayor: Transfer Funds from the Human Resources Salary Reserve Article (FY23 Fire COLA) or take up any action relative thereto (Public Hearing)**

Council President Boericke asked for a Motion to Open the Public Hearing on Order 23 035

Motion by Councilor Ryan to Open Public Hearing for Order 23 035

**Motion:** by Councilor Ryan to Open the Public Hearing for Order 23 035

**Second:** by Councilor Hume

**Vote:** For (8 – Boericke, Flaherty, Hume, Maglio, O’Brien, Reynolds, Ringius, Ryan),  
Against (0), Absent (1- Mackin), Abstain (0)

Council President Boericke asked for a recommendation from Councilor Reynolds, Chairman of the Committee of Ways & Means.

Chairman Reynolds stated the Committee of Ways & Means met and voted unanimously for a favorable recommendation to the full Council with a 3-0 vote.

Council President Boericke asked if any member of the Council or anyone from the Mayor’s staff want to speak on Order 23 035?

Cindy DePina, HR Director stated this is for the raises we negotiated with the Fire Department. This is the Fiscal Year 23 1.5% annual cost of living increase.

Councilor Ryan asked if this will be retro?

Ms. DePina stated yes from July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023.

President Boericke stated this is not a new request for money. We had this set aside and the Council needs to authorize moving it from one bucket to another bucket.

Council President Boericke asked if any member of the General Public wants to speak on Order 23 035? Hearing none.

Council President Boericke asked if there is Motion to Close the Public Hearing for Order 23 035.

Motion by Councilor Ryan to Close Public Hearing for Order 23 035

**Motion:** by Councilor Ryan to Close the Public Hearing for Order 23 035

**Second:** by Councilor Hume

**Vote:** For (8 – Boericke, Flaherty, Hume, Maglio, O’Brien, Reynolds, Ringius, Ryan),  
Against (0), Absent (1- Mackin), Abstain (0)

Council President Boericke asked if there is Motion for Order 23 035.

Motion read by Councilor Ryan:

**MOTION:** That the Town vote to amend the wage and salary classification schedules, as most recently amended by appropriating the sum of \$115,378.90 for the purpose of funding a wage increase for the IAFF 920 employees effective July 1, 2022, and for this purpose the sum of \$115,378.90 be transferred from the FY 2023 Salary Reserve Article and further, that the Director of Municipal Finance is authorized to allocate said sums to and among the various accounts affected thereby in such amounts as are proper and required. In anticipation of approval of these agreements, funds were appropriated to the reserve account in the originally approved Fiscal Year 2023 budget.

**Motion:** by Councilor Ryan to approve Order 23 035

**Second:** by Councilor Hume

**Vote:** For (8 – Boericke, Flaherty, Hume, Maglio, O’Brien, Reynolds, Ringius, Ryan),  
Against (0), Absent (1- Mackin), Abstain (0)

- **23 036 Mayor: Transfer Funds from the Human Resources Salary Reserve Article (FY23 Utility/Non-Union .5% COLA) or take up any action relative thereto (Public Hearing)**

Council President Boericke asked for a Motion to Open the Public Hearing on Order 23 036

Motion by Councilor Ryan to Open Public Hearing for Order 23 036

**Motion:** by Councilor Ryan to Open the Public Hearing for Order 23 036

**Second:** by Councilor Hume

**Vote:** For (8 – Boericke, Flaherty, Hume, Maglio, O’Brien, Reynolds, Ringius, Ryan),  
Against (0), Absent (1- Mackin), Abstain (0)

Council President Boericke asked for a recommendation from Councilor Reynolds, Chairman of the Committee of Ways & Means.

Chairman Reynolds stated the Committee of Ways & Means met and voted unanimously for a favorable recommendation to the full Council with a 3-0 vote.

Council President Boericke asked if any member of the Council or anyone from the Mayor’s staff want to speak on Order 23 036?

Cindy DePina, HR Director stated this is for the .5%. We settled with other unions and this is the “me too” clause so unions are not penalized for settling earlier. This is the ½ percent we gave to fire, schools and library.

Council President Boericke asked if any member of the General Public wants to speak on Order 23 036?  
Seeing none.

Council President Boericke asked if there is Motion to Close the Public Hearing for Order 23 036.  
Motion by Councilor Ryan to Close Public Hearing for Order 23 036

**Motion:** by Councilor Ryan to Close the Public Hearing for Order 23 036

**Second:** by Councilor Hume

**Vote:** For (8 – Boericke, Flaherty, Hume, Maglio, O’Brien, Reynolds, Ringius, Ryan),  
Against (0), Absent (1- Mackin), Abstain (0)

Council President Boericke asked if there is Motion for Order 23 036.

Motions read by Councilor Ryan 1-2:

**MOTION #1:** That the Town vote to amend the wage and salary classification schedules, as most recently amended by appropriating the sum of \$6,059.18 for the purpose of funding a wage increase for the Utility Workers Union of America, AFL-CIO, Local No. 466 (UWUA) employees effective July 1 2022, and for this purpose the sum of \$6,059.18 be transferred from the Human Resources Salary Reserve Article and further, that the Director of Municipal Finance is authorized to allocate said sums to and among the various accounts affected thereby in such amounts as are proper and required.

**Motion:** by Councilor Ryan to approve Order 23 036 (1)

**Second:** by Councilor Hume

**Vote:** For (8 – Boericke, Flaherty, Hume, Maglio, O’Brien, Reynolds, Ringius, Ryan),  
Against (0), Absent (1- Mackin), Abstain (0)

**MOTION #2:** That the Town vote to amend the wage and salary classification schedules, as most recently amended by appropriating the sum of \$17,021.76 for the purpose of funding a wage increase for the non-union employees effective July 1, 2022, and for this purpose the sum of \$17,021.76 be transferred from the Human Resources Salary Reserve Article and further, that the Director of Municipal Finance is authorized to allocate said sums to and among the various accounts affected thereby in such amounts as are proper and required.

**Motion:** by Councilor Ryan to approve Order 23 036 (2)

**Second:** by Councilor Hume

**Vote:** For (8 – Boericke, Flaherty, Hume, Maglio, O’Brien, Reynolds, Ringius, Ryan),  
Against (0), Absent (1- Mackin), Abstain (0)

- **23 037 Mayor: Transfer Funds from the Human Resources Salary Reserve Article (FY23 Schools COLA) or take up any action relative thereto (Public Hearing)**

Council President Boericke asked for a Motion to Open the Public Hearing on Order 23 037

Motion by Councilor Ryan to Open Public Hearing for Order 23 037

**Motion:** by Councilor Ryan to Open the Public Hearing for Order 23 037

**Second:** by Councilor Hume

**Vote:** For (8 – Boericke, Flaherty, Hume, Maglio, O’Brien, Reynolds, Ringius, Ryan),  
Against (0), Absent (1- Mackin), Abstain (0)

Council President Boericke asked for a recommendation from Councilor Reynolds, Chairman of the Committee of Ways & Means.

Chairman Reynolds stated the Committee of Ways & Means met and voted unanimously for a favorable recommendation to the full Council with a 3-0 vote.

Council President Boericke asked if any member of the Council or anyone from the Mayor’s staff want to speak on Order 23 037?

Cindy DePina, HR Director stated this is for FY23 for the schools. We have settled at 1.5%.

Council President Boericke asked if any member of the General Public wants to speak on Order 23 037?  
Seeing none.

Council President Boericke asked if there is Motion to Close the Public Hearing for Order 23 037.

Motion by Councilor Ryan to Close Public Hearing for Order 23 037

**Motion:** by Councilor Ryan to Close the Public Hearing for Order 23 037

**Second:** by Councilor Hume

**Vote:** For (8 – Boericke, Flaherty, Hume, Maglio, O’Brien, Reynolds, Ringius, Ryan),  
Against (0), Absent (1- Mackin), Abstain (0)

Council President Boericke asked if there is Motion for Order 23 037.

Motion read by Councilor Ryan:

**MOTION:** That the Town vote to amend the wage and salary classification schedules, as most recently amended by appropriating the sum of \$930,871.09 for the purpose of funding a wage increase for the Braintree Educator employees effective July 1, 2022, and for this purpose the sum of \$930,871.09 be transferred from the Human Resources Salary Reserve Article and further, that the Director of Municipal Finance is authorized to allocate said sums to and among the various accounts affected thereby in such amounts as are proper and required.

**Motion:** by Councilor Ryan to approve Order 23 037

**Second:** by Councilor Hume

**Vote:** For (8 – Boericke, Flaherty, Hume, Maglio, O’Brien, Reynolds, Ringius, Ryan),  
Against (0), Absent (1- Mackin), Abstain (0)

- **23 039 Mayor: Transfer Funds from the FY2024 Finance/Administration/Reserve Account (FY2024 Utility/Non-Union/Fire COLA) or take up any action relative thereto (Public Hearing)**

Council President Boericke asked for a Motion to Open the Public Hearing on Order 23 039

Motion by Councilor Ryan to Open Public Hearing for Order 23 039

**Motion:** by Councilor Ryan to Open the Public Hearing for Order 23 039

**Second:** by Councilor Hume

**Vote:** For (8 – Boericke, Flaherty, Hume, Maglio, O’Brien, Reynolds, Ringius, Ryan),  
Against (0), Absent (1- Mackin), Abstain (0)

Council President Boericke asked for a recommendation from Councilor Reynolds, Chairman of the Committee of Ways & Means.

Chairman Reynolds stated the Committee of Ways & Means met and voted unanimously for a favorable recommendation to the full Council with a 3-0 vote.

Council President Boericke asked if any member of the Council or anyone from the Mayor’s staff want to speak on Order 23 039?

Cindy DePina, HR Director stated this is for FY24. We are trying to plan ahead for calculations for July 1. This is for Utility, Non-Union, Fire. The other departments we settled with had time to budget it for FY24 so that is why they are not all listed.

Councilor Reynolds stated Town Solicitor was listed twice on the non-union listing we were given. Can you please confirm the salary.

The percentage of increase for FY24 is 2%.

Director DePina stated there are two separate salaries of Town Solicitor and Chief of Staff receiving the increase.

Council President Boericke asked if any member of the General Public wants to speak on Order 23 039?  
Seeing none.

Council President Boericke asked if there is Motion to Close the Public Hearing for Order 23 039.

Motion by Councilor Ryan to Close Public Hearing for Order 23 039

**Motion:** by Councilor Ryan to Close the Public Hearing for Order 23 039

**Second:** by Councilor Hume

**Vote:** For (8 – Boericke, Flaherty, Hume, Maglio, O’Brien, Reynolds, Ringius, Ryan),  
Against (0), Absent (1- Mackin), Abstain (0)

Council President Boericke asked if there is Motion for Order 23 039.

Motions read by Councilor Ryan 1-3:

**MOTION:** That the Town vote to amend the wage and salary classification schedules, as most recently amended by appropriating the sum of \$24,357.92 for the purpose of funding a wage increase for the Utility Workers Union of America, AFL-CIO, Local No. 466 (UWUA) employees effective July 1, 2023, and for this purpose the sum of \$24,357.92 be transferred from the Finance/Administration/Reserve Account and further, that the Director of Municipal Finance is authorized to allocate said sums to and among the various accounts affected thereby in such amounts as are proper and required.

**Motion:** by Councilor Ryan to approve Order 23 039 (1)

**Second:** by Councilor Hume

**Vote:** For (8 – Boericke, Flaherty, Hume, Maglio, O’Brien, Reynolds, Ringius, Ryan),  
Against (0), Absent (1- Mackin), Abstain (0)

**MOTION:** That the Town vote to amend the wage and salary classification schedules, as most recently amended by appropriating the sum of \$156,146.11 for the purpose of funding a wage increase for the International Association of Fire Fighters, Local 920 (IAFF) employees effective July 1, 2023, and for this purpose the sum of \$156,146.11 be transferred from the Finance/Administration/Reserve Account and further, that the Director of Municipal Finance is authorized to allocate said sums to and among the various accounts affected thereby in such amounts as are proper and required.

**Motion:** by Councilor Ryan to approve Order 23 039 (2)

**Second:** by Councilor Hume

**Vote:** For (8 – Boericke, Flaherty, Hume, Maglio, O’Brien, Reynolds, Ringius, Ryan),  
Against (0), Absent (1- Mackin), Abstain (0)

**MOTION:** That the Town vote to amend the wage and salary classification schedules, as most recently amended by appropriating the sum of \$64,878.39 for the purpose of funding a wage increase for the Non-Union employees effective July 1, 2023, and for this purpose the sum of \$64,878.39 be transferred from the Finance/Administration/Reserve Account and further, that the Director of Municipal Finance is authorized to allocate said sums to and among the various accounts affected thereby in such amounts as are proper and required.

**Motion:** by Councilor Ryan to approve Order 23 039 (3)

**Second:** by Councilor Hume

**Vote:** For (8 – Boericke, Flaherty, Hume, Maglio, O’Brien, Reynolds, Ringius, Ryan),  
Against (0), Absent (1- Mackin), Abstain (0)

## **NEW BUSINESS**

- None

## **Refer to the Committee on the Department of Public Works**

- 23 045 Mayor: Intermunicipal Agreement extension - South Shore Recycling Cooperative or take up any action relative thereto

**Motion:** by Councilor Ryan to refer Order 23 045 to the Committee on the Department of Public Works

**Second:** by Councilor Hume

**Vote:** For (8 – Boericke, Flaherty, Hume, Maglio, O'Brien, Reynolds, Ringius, Ryan),  
Against (0), Absent (1 - Mackin), Abstain (0)

**Topics the Chair does not reasonably anticipate will be discussed**

## **UPCOMING MEETINGS:**

Next Council Meeting is scheduled on: [Tuesday, June 20, 2023@7:30PM](#)

## **ADJOURNMENT**

It was unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting at 9:41p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan M. Cimino  
Clerk of the Council

Recording of meeting found at: <https://www.youtube.com/bcamtv>