



# Braintree Town Council

## Committee of Ways & Means

One JFK Memorial Drive  
Braintree, Massachusetts 02184

### MEMBERS

Meredith Boericke, Chairwoman  
Charles Ryan, Vice-Chair  
Donna Connors, Member  
Julia Flaherty, Member  
Steven Sciascia, Member

# MINUTES

## Wednesday, July 28, 2021

A meeting of the Committee of Ways & Means was held Remote via Zoom Webinar, on Wednesday, July 28, 2021 at 6:00p.m.

Councilor Boericke was in the Chair.

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

All votes were taken by Roll Call Vote.

Present: Meredith Boericke, Chairwoman  
Charles Ryan, Vice-Chairman  
Donna Connors, Member  
Julia Flaherty, Member  
Steven Sciascia, Member

Also Present: Nicole Taub, Chief of Staff/Town Solicitor  
James Arsenault, DPW Director

### Approval of Minutes

- May 6, 2021 Minutes

**MOTION:** by Councilor Ryan to Approve Minutes of May 6, 2021

**Motion:** by Councilor Ryan to Approve Minutes of May 6, 2021

**Second:** by Councilor Connors

**Roll Call Vote:** For (5–Boericke, Connors, Flaherty, Ryan, Sciascia), Against (0), Absent (0), Abstain (0)

- May 10, 2021 Minutes

**MOTION:** by Councilor Ryan to Approve Minutes of May 10, 2021

**Motion:** by Councilor Ryan to Approve Minutes of May 10, 2021

**Second:** by Councilor Connors

**Roll Call Vote:** For (5–Boericke, Connors, Flaherty, Ryan, Sciascia), Against (0), Absent (0), Abstain (0)

## Old Business

- None

## New Business

- **21 036 Mayor: Transportation Infrastructure Enhancement Trust Fund or take up any action relative thereto**

Chairwoman Boericke asked if anyone from the Mayor's office would like to speak.

Nicole Taub, Chief of Staff gave an overview of this fund stating what was mentioned in the memo from Mayor Kokoros dated July 7, 2021. For the fourth year in a row, the Town has received money from the Commonwealth's Transportation Infrastructure Enhancement Trust Fund (Fund) "to address the impact of transportation network services on municipal roads, bridges and other transportation infrastructure or any other public purpose substantially related to the operation of transportation network services in the city or town including, but not limited to, the complete streets program and other programs that support alternative modes of transportation. For calendar year 2020, the Commonwealth collected approximately \$7 million from a \$0.20 per-ride assessment on each rideshare trip that started in Massachusetts.

The total number of rides that initiated in Braintree in 2020 was 223,745, a decrease of 55% from 2019. Of those rides, 56,504, or 25.25%, were local rides-or rides that started and ended in Braintree. Based on this data, the total revenue from the Fund that has been allocated to Braintree is \$22,374.50. The intended use of the funds in FY22 is to support the renovation of roadways and education, enforcement and engineering of traffic calming measures.

MOTION Read by Councilor Connors for favorable recommendation to the full Council:

**MOTION:** That the sum of \$22,374.50 received from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Transportation Infrastructure Enhancement Trust Fund be appropriated to Department of Public Works to be spent in accordance with St. 2016, c. 187, s. 8(c)(i).

**Motion:** by Councilor Connors for favorable recommendation to the full Council Order 21 036

**Second:** by Councilor Ryan

**Roll Call Vote:** For (5–Boericke, Connors, Flaherty, Ryan, Sciascia), Against (0), Absent (0), Abstain (0)

It was unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting at 6:10p.m. by Roll Call Vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan M. Cimino

Clerk of the Council

## **Documents provided for Meeting**

- May 6, 2021 Minutes
- May 10, 2021 Minutes
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