

**TOWN OF HAMDEN, CONNECTICUT
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING**

May 17, 2023

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A meeting of the Legislative Council was held on Wednesday, May 17, 2023. This was a hybrid meeting held both in person and electronically via Zoom. The meeting was called to order at 11:16 P.M. by Council President Dominique Baez. The Clerk took the roll.

Z= On Zoom P= In Person

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Dominique Baez (P)	Abdul Osmanu (P)
Katie Kiely (P)	Kristen Zaehring (Z)
Justin Farmer (P)	Bob Anthony (P)
Laurie Sweet (P)	Cory O'Brien (P)
Lesley DeNardis (Z)	Jeron Alston (Z)
Sarah Gallagher (P)	Ted Stevens (P)
Paula Irvin (Z)	Betty Wetmore (Z)
Adrian Webber (Z)	

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

PRESIDING: Dominique Baez, President

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: Sean Grace, Chief of Staff; Curtis Eatman, Finance Director; Sue Gruen, Town Attorney

PUBLIC INPUT SESSION: There were 2 speakers on Zoom.

(Written comments can be sent to LCpublicinput@hamden.com)

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT: None

EXECUTIVE SESSION: None

REGULAR AGENDA:

1. Adoption of the 2023-2024 Fiscal Year Budget

-- Moved by Mr. O'Brien, seconded by Mr. Farmer.

Mr. O'Brien read aloud the ordinance adopting the budget.

<https://www.hamden.com/DocumentCenter/View/8346/Budget-Ordinance-2023-2024---FINAL>

Ms. Wetmore thanked everyone for their hard work but said she will vote against this because she's oppose to all the raises plus another mil rate increase. She also said she's happy they didn't use the one-time (ARPA) funds in the budget.

A roll call vote was taken and the budget was approved with 4 opposed (Wetmore) (DeNardis) (Anthony) (Zaehringer)

There being no further business Ms. Baez requested a motion to adjourn. Moved by Mr. Farmer, seconded by Ms. Kiely and adjourned at 11:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Kim Renta
Clerk of the Council