



Budget Committee
Budget Workshop
2020/2021 proposed School Budget
Community Room Nute
Thursday December 19th 2019

Call to Order: The Chairman called the meeting to order at 6:02 PM

Roll Call of Seating Members: Chairman Tom McDougall, Humphrey Williams,
Dennis Woods, Tammy Smith, Larry Brown, Peg Hurd, (School Board Rep.)
Andrew Rawson (Selectman Rep.), a Quorum was present.

Also Present from the School: Doug, Nate, Earl, Jan, John

First order of business: Acceptance of Bob Carrier's resignation. Motion to accept Bob Carrier's resignation was made by Humphrey and Seconded by Larry. Motion carried 4-2

Second order of business: Continue presentation of School Budget. The principals presented the Middle/High School and Elementary School budgets and the Special Education budget. No motions were made.

Elementary has budgeted purchasing a new math curriculum the cost of which includes the workbooks for the students covering 5 years. They hope to be able to purchase additional curriculums in the future. Discussion was made about possibly having warrant article to support purchase or have cap reserve fund in the future.

Humphrey inquired as to the possibility of breaking out the budgets to pull out the various schools: high school, elementary and middle. Nate said it could be done but would be difficult. Chairman mentioned that the information requested is in the budget as presented and if the committee desired a breakout then it would be possible to create a macro or similar to do so, provided the budget remained relatively consistent in the lines, that is limited moving of the lines or adding new ones.

There was a bit of discussion around trying to quantify the special education increases in terms of amount per student or per IEP but that proved to be unworkable given the way special ed works. One IEP may require 30 minutes per day and another may require 5 hours per day. It is not practical to quantify on a per student or per IEP basis.

Third order of business: Other business

Doug Shute mentioned that it is possible to move a meeting provided a quorum is present to vote to move the location. Once the vote passes, a note needs to be posted to state the new location.

After some discussion the board decided on two more meetings to review/vote on the school budget, 12/27/2019 at the selectmen's chambers at Town hall and 1/3/2020 again in the selectmen's chambers at Town hall.

Next meeting: Friday December 27th,2019 Town Hall @ 6:00 pm

Adjourn: Motion to adjourn made by Mr. Williams and seconded by Mr. Brown at 8:00 pm motion passes
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Submitted by Thomas McDougall, Chairman.