Millbury School Committee

Minutes

Date:

May 7, 2019

Meeting SPECIAL SESSION TOWN CLERK

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Present:

Mrs. Nietupski, Chairperson, Mr. Wilbur, Vice Chairperson

Mrs. Teixeira, Mrs. Lagerholm, Mrs. Prior, Mr. Bedard, Business Manager, and Mr.

Myers, Superintendent of Schools

Location:

Millbury Jr. /Sr. High School Principal's Conference Room

Mrs. Nietupski opened the meeting at 6:10pm.

Mrs. Nietupski congratulated and welcomed the new School Committee member Mrs. Nancy Prior.

Mrs. Nietupski requested that the School Committee hold off on reorganizing until the next regularly scheduled meeting. The committee members agreed.

Budget

a. Review of the Town Meeting Warrant Articles

Mr. Bedard reviewed the Annual Town Meeting warrant articles. Specifically, he reviewed articles 2, 5, 15 and 24. Mrs. Neitupski reviewed some of her comments that she planned to make at the Annual Town Meeting. There was a discussion about how the Medicaid funds no longer have a separate warrant article and are now included in the school operating budget.

Article 2 is for the municipal and school operating budget. Mr. Bedard discussed the school operating budget and the employee benefits section. It was also noted that the School Committee, Town Manager, Selectboard and Finance Committee are all in agreement about the school operating budget. The school operating budget increase for FY 2019 is 3.26%.

Article 4 includes items D, E and F for additional capital funding for the school department. Item D is \$185,000 for districtwide technology purchases including wifi, firewall protection and Chromebooks. Mr. Myers detailed the intended use of the purchase. Item E is for the replacement of the commercial dishwasher at Elmwood Street School. This needs to be replaced so we no longer have to use plastic trays. We had a dishwasher there in the past. Item F is for a new districtwide maintenance van. Mr. Bedard stated the current 2003 model is rusting out and no longer useful. Mr. Bedard mentioned a concern he had about the funding source the Town Manager stipulated for the maintenance van.

Altogether the town had about 2.4 million available in free cash.

Article 15 is regarding the Other Post Employment Benefits (OPEB) Trust Account.

Article 24 authorizes the maximum balance for the Student Parking Fees Revolving Account.

At 6:44PM Mrs. Nietupski asked for a motion to adjourn. Mrs. Lagerholm made a motion to adjourn, and it was seconded by Mr. Wilbur. All approved (5-0)

Respectfully submitted, Richard G. Bedard, Jr. Richard G. Bedard, Jr. School Business Manager

Approved:

Christopher I Wilbur, Vice Chairperson

Julia Lagerholm

<u>Items in Packet:</u> 5-7-19 Annual Town Meeting Warrant