

Minutes: November 29, 2010  
Hudson Municipal Budget Committee

Meeting: Budget Committee: Town of Hudson / Hudson School District

Where: Town Hall – Community Development Room

Date: 11/29/10

Attendees:

Normand Martin (NM)  
Jonathan Maltz (JM)  
Susan Guarino (SG)  
Joyce Goodwin (JG)  
Steve Nute (SN)  
Laura Bisson (LB)  
Roger Couture (RC)  
Charlotte Schweiss (CS)  
Thaddeus Luszey (TL)  
John Drabinowicz (JD)  
Michael Buczynski (MB)

1. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM.
2. NM led the Pledge of Allegiance
3. NM shared with the Budget Committee an email he had receive from a member of the public.
4. TL discussed with the Budget Committee the noise that is audible on television from Committee members when they are turning pages.
5. The School District revenues were reviewed. Randy Bell reviewed and explained the various revenue sources ie, federal, state, local, etc. Questions and answers followed.
6. The Default Budget was reviewed. Superintendent Bell presented and explained the Default Budget. Questions and answers followed. There were none.
7. TL made a motion to remove from the table the budget for The School District for the Town of Hudson in the amount of 45148502.00. JG seconded the motion. The motion carried (11-0-0).
8. The consolidated elementary school budget was reviewed. Scott Baker introduced the various representatives of the elementary schools that were present tonight. The budget was presented and explained by Scott Baker. He explained that the majority of the increase in the budget is related to salaries/benefits as well as the purchase of A+ Software. furniture expenditures for each school were reviewed. Other aspects of the budget were reviewed as well. The Questions and answers followed. TL requested that the budget review of IT related line items be done with the SAU IT staff. NM suggested hat we cover it during the meeting on December 8<sup>th</sup>. The library will be included as well that night.

9. A ten minute recess was declared at 8:06 PM.
10. The Kimball Webster Budget (SAU, etc.) was reviewed. Superintendent Randy Bell and Mary Ellen Ormand presented and explained the budget. Questions and answers followed.
11. TL made a motion to request that we get the statistics re department heads time allocation as it pertains to direct classroom and administrative time. MB seconded the motion. A unanimous vote in favor followed. Discussion re the budget continued.
12. JD made a motion to request that we get student teacher ratio figures from the school district. JG seconded the motion. Discussion followed. Also to be included is class size. The motion carried.
13. JG spoke to the issue of overtime by the secretarial staff. JG made a motion to amend item 117-10812320 (description SAU overtime) to strike 2400.00 and insert 0.00 (a decrease of 2400). The motion was seconded by JD. Discussion followed. The motion passed (8-3-0).
14. JG made a motion to amend item 117-10002330 (special ed secretary), to strike out 3,835.00 and insert 0.00 (a decrease of 3835.00) the motion was seconded by JD. Discussion followed. The motion passed (7-4-0).
15. SG asked for clarification re NH retirement policy. Question was answered by Superintendent Bell.
16. JD asked for what number the budget is currently at. NM reported 45,142,267.00. A motion was made by JD to table the budget in the amount of 45,142, 267. The motion was seconded by JG. The motion carried by unanimous vote in favor.
17. NM reviewed the tomorrow nights meeting. JD made a motion to adjourn. JG seconded the motion. The motion carried by a unanimous vote in favor.
18. The meeting was adjourned at 9:06 PM.