



TOWN OF HUDSON

Budget Committee



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Budget Committee Meeting Minutes November 21, 2019 Final

A. Call to Order

- Chairman Guessferd called the meeting to order at 7:00pm in the Buxton Community Meeting Room.

B. Pledge of Allegiance

- Led by Mr. Trost

C. Attendance

Members Present:

- Bob Guessferd, Jim Weaver, Ted Trost, Shawn Murray, Hassan Goode, Alejandro Urrutia, Michael Fedele, Rich Weissgarber, School Board Liaison Diana LaMothe and Selectmen Representative Norm Martin, Joe Fernald arrived at 7:06pm with an excused tardiness (quorum of 11 was present)

Members Not Present:

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Staff/Others:

- SAU 81 Superintendent Larry Russell, Karen Burnell and other SAU staff.

D. Public Input

- None

E. Reports of Committees

- Board of Selectmen: None
- School Board: None
- Capital Improvement Committee: A reminder that next Monday 25th the CIP Plan will be presented by the Town Planner Brian Groth.

F. Acceptance of Minutes

- November 19th meeting minutes motion made Mr. Martin by second by Mr. Weissgarber passed 10-0 (Mr. Fernald not present at time of vote).

G. Presentation of Budget

- Mr. Russell and Mrs. Borge presented the Special Education budget.
 - Mr. Murray made a motion second by Mr. Martin to request the number of students who access specialized transportation for in town services.
- Mr. Russell and Mrs. Labrie presented the Elementary Schools budget. (ELC,



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- Mr. Trost led a discussion around overall student population and the full time equivalency.
- Motion was made by Mr. Weaver to recommend the school operating budget in the amount of \$56,710,504 second by Mr. Fernald to approve the School Operating budget as presented Motion passes 7-0-3 (Mr. Goode, Mr. Trost and Mr. Martin abstaining) (Mr. Murray was not present for the vote but was excused)
- Mrs. Burnell present Warrant Article number 1. Motion made by Mr. Fedele second my Mr. Urrutia to recommend the Alvirne High School Renovation in the amount of \$17,550,000 as presented. Motion passed 8-0-2 (Mr. Trost and Mr. Martin abstain) (Mr. Murray was not present for the vote but was excused)
- Mrs. Burnell presented Warrant Article number 5. Motion to recommend by Mr. Fedele second by Mr. Fernald to recommend a Fund Balance Retention of a maximum of 2.5% in the current fiscal year's net assessment. Motion passes 7-0-3 (Mr. Weissgarber, Mr. Goode and Mr. Martin abstain) (Mr. Murray was not present for the vote but was excused)
 - Mr. Martin made a motion second by Mr. Urrutia to have the Town attorney review this warrant article. After discussion, motion withdrawn by Mr. Martin.
- Motion made by Mr. Fedele second by Mr. Weaver to recommend Warrant Article number 6 for the amount of \$300,000 to replace a portion of the Hudson Memorial School roof. Motion passes 9-0-1 (Mr. Trost abstained) (Mr. Murray was not present for the vote but was excused)

H. Upcoming Meeting Schedule

- Monday November 25th at 7pm in the Buxton Community Meeting Room.

I. Other Business

- None

J. Adjournment

- Motion made by Mr. Trost seconded by Mr. Martin motion passed unanimously. (Mr. Murray was not present for the vote but was excused)

Prepared by: Jim Weaver, Clerk