

TOWN OF HUDSON



Budget Committee

Ted Trost, Chairman

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Meeting Minutes 15 December 2023 DRAFT

A. Call to Order

Chairman Ted Trost called the meeting to order in the Buxton Community Development Room at Town Hall at 7 pm and declared that a quorum was present.

B. Pledge of Allegiance

Chairman Trost led the Pledge of Allegiance.

C. Attendance

Members Present Chairman Ted Trost, Vice-Chairman Normand Martin, Patrick Quinlan, Kathy Leary, Robert Clegg, Alejandro Urrutia, Shawn Murray, Bill Cole, Rich Weissgarber, Selectmen Liaison David Morin, and School Board Liaison Gretchen Whiting.

D. Public Input

Chairman Trost Public opened the floor for public input at 7:00 there was no public input.

E. New Business

- **School budget discussion and Warrant Articles**

Motion: To reduce origin code 121-1000-1100 long term substitute reduce to \$1 (Murry/Martin) 9-2 motion carries

Motion: Vacant integration specialist line 11010025110 reduce to \$1

(Murry/Cole) 7-4 motion carries

Motion: Line 24-90 reduce line from \$19,500 to \$13,942 (Murry/Weissgarber)
7-4 motion carries

Motion: to reduce line 27-21 transportation regular from \$2,106,267 to
\$2,049,163 (Murry/Cole) 7-4 motion passes

Motion: to reduce school operations budget by \$2,700,000
(Weissgarber/Quinlan) 8-3 motion carries

Recess 8:27–8:38

Motion: Remove \$27,810 from line 1002722519 transportation special Ed.
(Cole/Murry) 11-0 motion carries

Motion: Reduce line item 10001100330 section 125 services from \$30,000 to
\$15,000 (Cole/Martin) 6-4-1 motion carries

Motion: Reduce line 22000911330313 professional services. motion fails do to
lack of a second

Motion: Reduce line item 10111100440 rentals/leasing from \$15,428 to 5,428
(Cole/Clegg) 5-6 motion fails

Motion: Reduce line item 10121100440 renting/leasing from \$18,073 to \$8,073
(Cole/Clegg) 6-5 motion carries.

Motion: Reduce line item 10141100440 renting/leasing from \$23,398 to \$13,398
(Cole/Clegg) 6-5 motion carries.

Motion: To reduce line item 101151100440 renting/leasing from \$18,557 to
\$8,575 (Cole/Clegg) 6-5 motion carries.

Motion: To reduce line item 10241100440 from \$25,228 to \$15,228 (Cole/Clegg)
6-5 motion carries.

Motion: To reduce line item 10351100440 rental/leasing from \$44,754 to
\$24,754 (Cole/Clegg) 6-5 motion carries.

Motion: To reduce line item 1001200330 professional services from \$242,607 to
\$202,607 (Cole/Murry) 2-8-1 motion fails.

Motion: To reduce line item 10001200335 legal services from \$25,000 to
\$15,000 (Cole/Clegg) 7-4 motion carries.

Motion: To reduce line item 10002213320 district professional development from
\$60,000 to \$45,000 (Cole/Clegg) 6-5 motion carries.

Motion: To reduce line item 1002840430 (repairs) from \$65,700 to \$50,700
(Cole/Clegg) 6-5 motion carries.

Motion: To reduce line item 58(111-124131101100) dept. head from \$133,376 to \$0 motion fails for lack of a 2nd

Motion: To reduce line item 72 (110-102421202120) EBD councilor from \$81,000 to \$0 (Cole/Clegg) 2-9 motion fails.

Motion: To reduce line item 63 (110135051101100) TE science from \$66,000 to \$0 (cole/Murry) 6-5 motion carries.

Motion: To reduce line item 10012311890 misc expense school board from \$10,000 to 5,000 (Cole/Clegg) 10-1 motion carries.

Motion: to reduce line item 10012316330 legal negotiations expense from \$70,000 to \$60,000 (Cole/Clegg) 5-6 motion fails.

Motion: To reduce line item 112 (114-102412001200) part time para educator \$17,496 to \$0 (Cole/Murry) 3-7-1 motion fails.

Motion: To recommend to the school board to take funds from current operating budget to purchase of lift for SAU office (Martin/Cole) 11-0 motion carries.

Motion: Requesting a copy of all bids/quotes and spec's to give te committe an understanding of how the \$ amount in warrant article 10 was calculated (Trost/Clegg) 11-0 motion carries.

Reports from Liaisons:

Select board- status of new police station ,test pits have been dug, outside lighting studies have begun. Tal of owering town operating budget.

School Board - Tour of schools by the budget committee.

Motion: To enter non-public to discuss school security (Weissgarber/Murry) 11-0 motion carries.

Non-Public at 10:47

