



BUDGET COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES TOWN OF EPPING, NEW HAMPSHIRE

Wednesday, November 15, 2023

ATTENDANCE

Chairman Michael Charkowski, Vice Chairman John Scully, Members Jordenne Sargent, Caitlin McCormack, Matt Hehl, and Mark Vallone; School Board Representative Robin O'Day; Selectman Joe Trombley, and Secretary Becca Haggerty. Members Sean Morrison and Cody Belanger were not in attendance.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

MOMENT OF SILENCE FOR THE TROOPS

ROLL CALL

Chairman Charkowski made record of budget committee members present and those not in attendance.

BUSINESS

Chairman Charkowski requests to approve the meeting minutes from 3 previous meetings:

Motion by Chairman Charkowski to approve the meeting minutes from the October 4, 2023 meeting. Seconded by Mark Vallone. Motion Carried 6-0-2. Robin O'Day and Jen Chapman abstain.

Motion by Chairman Charkowski to approve the meeting minutes from the October 11, 2023 meeting. Seconded by Matt Hehl. Motion Carried 7-0-1. Selectman Joe Trombley abstains.

Motion by Chairman Charkowski to approve the meeting minutes from the October 25, 2023 meeting. Seconded by Caitlyn McCormack. Motion carried 8-0.

Superintendent Bill Furbush, Business Administrator Christine Vayda, Director of Special Education Cathy Zylinski, and School Board members Heather Clark, Ben Leavitt, Jen Jacoby and Julie Knight are present to present the 2024-2025 SAU budget.

Superintendent Furbush provides an overview of the main drivers of the anticipated budget increase of 7.51%.



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The group discusses the benefits options for the school and options to cut benefits costs while retaining staff.

The group discusses the new grounds crew member position and the savings offset associated with this position.

The group discussing the current snow plowing for the schools and possible alternatives.

The group discussed the current special education contracts and the need to hire and retain adequate staff.

Vice Chairman John Scully joins the meeting at 7:30 PM.

The group discusses meeting on November 29, 2023 to follow up on today's presentation, answer any questions and possibly discuss warrant articles.

The group discusses the possibility of becoming the high school of choice for students living in the town of Fremont, NH.

Next Budget Committee meeting with School Board set for Wednesday, November 29, 2023.

ADJOURN

Motion by member Jen Chapman to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Mike Charkowski.

Motion carried 9-0.

Meeting adjourned at 8:05 PM.



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Respectfully submitted:
Becca Haggerty
Secretary

Michael Charkowski, Chairman

John Scully, Vice Chairman

Jordenne Sargent, Member

Caitlin McCormack, Member

Matt Hehl, Member

Mark Vallone, Member

Jen Chapman, Member

Joe Trombley, Selectmen Rep.

Robin O'Day, School Board Rep.

Dated: November 15, 2023

Members Sean Morrison and Cody Belanger were not present.