

ASHLAND BUDGET COMMITTEE

JANUARY 11, 2012

DRAFT MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT: S. Felton, D. Ruell, C. Austin, D. Golden, I. Heidenreich, M. Brown, S. Coleman, F. Newton, M. Scarano

OTHERS PRESENT: T. Temperino, Dr. McCormack, B. Tirone, A. Cilley, G. McCormack, E. Badger, M. Badger, J. Felton, D. Toth, K. Stack, J. Stewart

The meeting started at 7:00pm in the elementary school café.

Temperino handed out the Ashland School District budget information packet handout.

The handout included:

Overview

Pie chart of the general operating budget

Impact on tax rate

Expenditures

Detail of budget: regular education, special education, extended school year, bilingual, co-curricular, attendance, guidance services, health services, psychology, speech services, physical & occupational therapy, technology, curriculum & development, library & media services, school board services, audit services, legal services, SAU administration, office of the principal, operation of plant, building & equipment, care of grounds, regular transportation, sped transportation, athletic transportation, co-curricular transportation, homeless transportation, transfer to food service, transfer to federal funds, food service support, transfer to capital reserve,

Ashland school district warrant articles

AT 7:42 the public hearing on the school district budget was complete. J. Felton thanked the school board members for doing a great job.

The board discussed the public meeting scheduled for tomorrow. Felton and/or Ruell will cancel by noon if tomorrow's meeting is to be cancelled and rescheduled for Friday.

On the school budget:

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Coleman made the motion, 2nd by Newton to accept the figure of \$852,571. for Ashland School revenue. 9 members ayed.

Felton made the motion, 2nd by Coleman to accept the figure of \$3,069,665. for school district budget bottom line. 9 members ayed.

Felton made the motion, 2nd by Heidenreich to accept warrant article #2 (to allow the Ashland school district to set the salaries of district officers for the coming year). 9 members ayed.

We are finished with the school district budget.

On town budget:

Brown made the motion, 2nd by Scarano to accept the figure of \$49,775. for the Highway Block Grant on revenues. 9 members ayed.

On warrant articles:

After some discussion, Heidenreich made the motion, 2nd by Scarano to table Tri-County Cap warrant article until we get a confirmation of the amount asked for. (Brown went and got a scanned copy of original. We still cannot decipher the figure, so we will get copy from P. Tucker tomorrow.) 8 members ayed. 1 member abstained.

Newton made the motion, 2nd by Felton to recommend article 16 (Bridgehouse) as written. 7 members ayed. 2 members nayed.

Ruell made the motion, 2nd by Brown to recommend the petition warrant article on the Plymouth Regional Clinic as written. 7 members ayed. 2 members nayed.

After some discussion, Golden made the motion, 2nd by Scarano to table the Collective Bargaining Agreement warrant article until the Town Administrator finds out if we can get figures of the contract. 9 members ayed.

Newton made the motion, 2nd by Scarano to adjourn the meeting at 9:20pm. All members ayed.

Christine Austin, Secretary

