MILLINOCKET SCHOOL SPECIAL MEETING STEARNS JR/SR HIGH SCHOOL CONFERENCE ROOM PUBLIC IN-PERSON OR BY ZOOM TUESDAY, APRIL 23, 2024 4:30 PM

Kevin Gregory Present - Virtual

Julie Hewke Present
Kevin Libby Present
Donald Raymond Present
Warren Steward Present
Dr. Shelley Lane, Superintendent Present

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 4:30 PM by Warren Steward, School Board Chair.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Budget Discussion

The Superintendent added additional information from the April 9, 2024 meeting that she felt was not understood or lacking, specifically regarding technology in the district. She broke down the percentages and funds from various positions within the district used to support technology. Julie Hewke thanked the Superintendent for the detailed information. Warren Steward asked the Board to remember they are discussing a position, not a person.

IV. To see if the Board wants to reconsider their previous vote on the 2024-2025 school budget.

Motion: To eliminate the full-time Director of Technology position due to changes in local conditions.

Motioned by: Julie Hewke Seconded by: Donald Raymond

Board Discussion:

Questions regarding when motions can be changed and what changes in local conditions means. Discussion regarding how the Town Council can or may mandate additional reductions to the budget. Discussion regarding it was a negotiated contract and if it should be renegotiated instead of just saying what percentage it will be.

Voted: 3 - Yes 2 - No (Kevin Gregory 0 - Abs Kevin Libby)

Motion: To create a part-time Director of Technology position.

Motioned by: Julie Hewke **Seconded by**: Kevin Libby

Board Discussion:

Kevin Gregory and Kevin Libby said they would support this.

Voted: 5 - Yes 0 - No 0 - Abs

Motion: Due to additional information, I motion to reconsider and rescind the School Board vote to approve the 2024-2025 school budget on April 9, 2024.

Motioned by: Julie Hewke Seconded by: Donald Raymond

Board Discussion:

The amounts are going back to the way it was prior to the April 9, 2024 meeting. The increase is 4.99%.

Voted: 5 - Yes 0 - No 0 - Abs

Motion: Due to additional information, I motion to vote to approve the amended 2024-2025 school budget including the changes as detailed by the Superintendent.

Motioned by: Julie Hewke Seconded by: Kevin Libby

Board Discussion:

None

Voted: 5 - Yes 0 - No 0 - Abs

Board Discussion:

Business Manager Rhonda Casey relayed to the Board that we received approval for \$506,744.82 for grant reimbursement. It is a great weight off the Town's and School's shoulders.

XXI. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 4:56 PM.

Motion by: Donald Raymond **Seconded by**: Kevin Libby

Voted: 5 - Yes 0 - No 0 - Abs

<u>UPCOMING MEETINGS</u>: May 7, 2024

June 4, 2024

Respectfully submitted,

Dr. Shelley Lane Superintendent of Schools