

Approved 5/14/15 *DH*
To Hold: ___ release:

WINCHENDON SCHOOL COMMITTEE
Tuesday, April 7, 2015
Regular Meeting
Town Hall Auditorium

Call to Order: 6:36 pm

Present: School Committee members: Susan Burdsall, Michael Barbaro, Dawn Harris, TMS – Mark Chapulis, Andy Paquette.

- Presentation of Town Warrant Articles for May 18, 2015 Town Meeting

Article 1, re: to be excluded from Town Deficit Repayment.

Should be brought before BOS to request article moved before General budget. Citizen J. Corbosiero requested to explain why go to town for the funds. This article was brought to us last meeting as a response from our unions to bring forward a level funded budget. With not having to make this payment from school budget we would then be able to not cut as much as currently needed. S. Burdsall commented that the deficit being a Whole town plan let the Whole town decide. Mr. Kreidler approached stating he did not agree with Whole town plan. The legislation loan was a gift at a very low interest rate the SC would need to advise with article where these funds would come from – cut general budget or with stabilization. Article 1 M. Barbaro, requested to pass-by, accepted.

Article 2, re: Operating budget. M. Barbaro inquired about re-wording to include the notation of override funds as separate item just like (less indirect costs). Motion to accept Article 2 with exact fund revisions before town meeting – M. Barbaro moved, S. Burdsall 2nd, Passed all aye.

Article 1, Special Town Meeting re: unanticipated Special Education Tuition. Motion to accept Article 1, M. Barbaro moved, S. Burdsall 2nd, Passed all aye.

Article 2, Special Town Meeting re: Unanticipated unemployment costs. Motion to accept Article 2, S. Burdsall moved, M. Barbaro 2nd, Passed all aye. Citizen J. Corbosiero again requested why go to town. Mark explained that in meetings with DOR we inquired how to take care of any unanticipated costs that should come up over budget. There only response was to take it to town.

Article 1, re: Town Deficit Repayment. S. Burdsall motion to accept, M. Barbaro 2nd with comment that article can be withdrawn. Passed all aye. M. Barbaro motion to adjourn, S. Burdall 2nd, Passed all aye. Adjourned 7:02 pm

Respectfully submitted:
Dawn Harris, School Committee Chair

Note, Finance Comm meeting followed where TMS would present the School budget.