

Billerica Finance Committee Meeting Minutes

Billerica Town Hall Room 210 7:00 PM April 9, 2019

Finance Committee Members:

David Gagliardi, Chair Douglas Meagher, Vice Chair Mary McBride, Sec Donald Damon Douglas Fogerty Cheri Gargalianos Patrick Logue (8:14p) Rino Moriconi

Scott Morris, 2nd Associate John Mulloy Philip Newfell

Anthony Ventresca (7:17p)

Town Accountant Paul Watson, Ex-Officio Bee Magliozzi, Recording Clerk

ATTENDANCE:

12 Committee Members Present, 1 (McBride) Excused, 0 Absent

CALL TO ORDER:

The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:03pm.

PLEDGE of ALLEGIANCE:

The Chair led the Committee in the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

N/A

BUDGET:

Billerica Public Schools

Prior to the presentation, Vice Chair Meagher disclosed that he has filed a disclosure with the Moderator, and also spoke to someone from Ethics, and may discuss and voted on the Budget but not regarding any specific salaries. Doug Fogerty also disclosed.

Committee Member Newfell recused himself.

Superintendent of Schools Timothy Piwowar, Assistant Superintendent of Schools Jill Geiser and Director of Finance and Operations Robin Hulsoor gave a detailed and extremely informative presentation of the FY20 School Budget.

Testing scores have increased across in all areas.

It was noted that the Per Pupils expenditure has increased due to all public schools, including Billerica, not only being an institution of learning but also becoming a resource center for students and students' families with non-academic issues.

The Vining Elementary School is scheduled to close this coming academic year.

A motion to recommend the Billerica Public Schools FY20 Budget of \$65,258,421 was moved by Meagher and seconded by Moriconi.

The vote was 9-1 (Ventresca) - 0.

** Please see Attachment 'A'



** Please see Attachment 'B'



** Please see Attachment 'C'



FY20 Schools -Budget Detail by Lo

** Please see Attachment 'D'



Schools -Settlement MOU FIN

<u>Warrant Article 7 – TO FUND COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT – TEACHERS</u>

There was discussion regarding this article which seeks to fund a Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Billerica School Committee and the Billerica Federation of Teachers, Local 1677, MFT, AFT, AFL-CIO. Meagher and Anthony Ventresca recused themselves and left the meeting.

A motion to recommend Article 7 as printed in the Preliminary Town Warrant.

The vote was 8 - 1 (Damon) - 0.

MISCELLANEOUS CORRESPONDENCE:

N/A

NEXT MEETING:

The next meeting to be held on April 11, 2019 at 7:00pm.

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion to adjourn the meeting was moved by Meagher and seconded by Moriconi.

The vote was 10 - 0 - 0.

The Chairman adjourned the meeting at 9:14pm.

Respectfully submitted Bee Magliozzi, Recording Clerk