

Milford School Budget Advisory Committee

Meeting Minutes

December 30, 2015

Present: Ethan Aho, Jason Cillo, Jennifer Siegrist, Mark Cooney, Rick Wood, Rob Canty

- I. Meeting called to order at 7:16pm
- II. No public comments
- III. Committee comments.
 - a. Mark Cooney stated he would like us to take a more in depth look at the administrative salary lines of the proposed budget.
 - b. Rick Wood explained there was no not enough members to make a quorum to vote on his document in time for the Dec 21st School Board meeting. He did present these documents to the School Board that evening.
 - c. The committee talked about the wording of our documents in regards to 'cuts' vs 'increases'. It was decided to go with increases as the line item in the budget is increasing and affecting the proposed tax increase.
- IV. Old Business
 - a. The committee reviewed the materials we wanted to provide to the School Board. The committee will provide numbers to the board for their meeting on Jan 4th in the same format as previously provided.
 - b. We reviewed some of the most recent numbers out there: new proposed budget number, the budget committee's number, and the default budget number.
- V. New Business
 - a. We reviewed the two proposed warrant articles of 2 million vs the 3 million. We unanimously voted to support the 3 million warrant article (larger of the two proposals).
 - b. Mark Cooney and Jennifer Siegrist will work together on our write-up of the committee's opinion for the 3 million warrant article.
 - c. We tabled a vote on our position on the default budget as we had not had enough time to review it yet.
 - d. We decided to show the diversity of the committee to the voters by providing a short bio of each member. We were tasked with providing those via email.

VI. Housekeeping

- a. Minutes for Dec 10th, 2015 were reviewed. Rob Canty motioned and Mark Cooney seconded to vote on the minutes. The vote was 5-0-1 to approve at 8:49pm.

VII. No public comment

- VIII. At 8:59pm Mark Cooney motioned to end the meeting and Jason Cillo seconded. Vote unanimous to end meeting.