

Negotiations Subcommittee Meeting
12/8/20

Zoom Virtual Meeting

Present:

Mary Beth Banios
Dana Allara
Michelle Bailey
David Polito
Vanessa Reed
Chantelle Clark
Alicia Anderson
Catherine Frost
Joe Domelowicz
Ann Page
Vinny Leone
Julia Campbell
Michelle Horgan

The meeting was called to order at 4:00PM.

Introductions are made of all participants.

There is a discussion and agreement to adopt a moderator model for discussions and negotiations. John Kotch will be the moderator for the HWEA and Dana Allara will be the moderator for the School Committee. Joe Domelowicz represents both the towns of Hamilton and Wenham in these meetings.

The group reviews the proposed meeting schedule. The group intention is to have meetings from 4PM-6PM.

Proposed dates:

1/5/20
1/13/20
1/26/20 (last date for new proposals)
2/9/20

Caucusing procedures are discussed including the use of Zoom breakout rooms.

Mr. Leone provides a 'Budget 101' presentation, giving an overview of the FY21 budget. The numbers used are based on FY21 numbers. Mr. Leone answers questions regarding the budget. Mr. Domelowicz answers questions regarding Hamilton tax rates, levy limits, Wenham tax rates and town participation in the budgeting process.

The group discusses planning for the next meeting. The HWEA intends to go through the contract step by step and provide a proposal. The School Committee will have proposals by the end of the day on 12/29.

No new proposals will be presented after the 3rd meeting (1/26/20)

The HWEA members and Ms. Horgan and Ms. Campbell leave the meeting. Ms. Banios, Ms. Allara, Ms. Bailey, Mr. Polito and Mr. Domelowicz have a brief discussion around timing and preparation of proposals and planning for the next meeting. The next meeting will be on 12/15/20 at 4PM.

The meeting is adjourned.

Note: Although an executive session had been indicated on the meeting agenda, executive session was not needed for the content of this meeting.

Respectfully submitted,
Dana Allara