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PEMBROKE SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING
Tuesday, April 26, 2022
North Pembroke Elementary School Library

IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING SCHOOL CHOICE

Public Budget Hearing

AGENDA

VOTE: At 7:07pm, on a motion made by David Boyle and seconded by Susan Bollinger, it was unanimously voted to open the Public Budget Hearing.

Voting Yes: Michael Tropeano, David Boyle, Lance Kennedy, Susie Scholl and Susan Bollinger

Voting No: none

Abstaining: none

Absent: none

Call to Order

Mr. Tropeano called the meeting to order at 7:08 pm.

Present from Administration: Erin Obey, Superintendent; Marybeth Brust, Assistant Superintendent; Jessica DeLorenzo, Director of Student Services

Present from Committee: Michael Tropeano, Chair; David Boyle, Vice Chair; Susan Bollinger, Secretary; Lance Kennedy and Susie Scholl

Public Hearing on Recommended FY23 Budget

Mrs. Obey reviewed the historical picture of per pupil spending of Pembroke vs. the State average and said PPS is consistently below the State. Surrounding towns per pupil expenditures shows Marshfield is close at \$15,789 vs. Pembroke at \$15,377 but to spend at Marshfield's level PPS would need an additional \$1.1 million dollars. She said the PPS School Committee is fiscally conservative while being able to provide great options for students. Mr. Tropeano suggested in the future looking at towns that spend closest to Pembroke and graph where their money is being spent. He added that Pembroke puts most of the budget money toward the classroom.

Mrs. Obey said the FY23 MOE budget is \$36,675,000. The required additions total \$180,400 and the Level I priorities total \$390,000 bringing the budget total to \$37,245,400.

Taking into account adjustments of (\$630,400):

Retirements of (\$40,000) – difference between salary of retiring teacher and new teacher

Transportation revolving account of (\$115,000)

OUR MISSION: To ensure student achievement through excellence in teaching and learning.

Special education tuition prebuy of (\$400,000) – allows for budget flexibility in the following year
Vocational tuition adjustment TBD/Other of (\$ 75,400) – possibly less students at vocational schools and additional Chapter 70 funding and Circuit Breaker
Resulting budget is \$36,615,000

Current FY22 Budget is \$35,500,000
Increase to Chapter 70 (estimate \$30/student) of \$81,000
Increase in Town contribution of \$1,034,000
These additional revenues of \$1,115,000 bring the FY23 recommended budget to \$36,615,000.

Mrs. Obey said the required additions include an additional teacher for kindergarten at North Pembroke due to enrollment, a special education teacher for a new 3-6 PACE class at Hobomock, a para for the new PACE class and an increase in OT and PT by .1 each due to increased caseloads. This totals the \$180,400.

The Level 1 Administrative priorities include 1.5 reading specialists due to increased needs at the elementary level, three paras for the creation of the Therapeutic Resource Room at each elementary school, a COMPASS teacher at PHS to deliver content instruction, a .5 social worker at PCMS which is currently grant funded, a Pathway Coordinator at PHS for the new Pathways Program, and a .5 ESL teacher due to increased direct instructional time needed. This totals the \$390,00.

Next step in Town Meeting on May 10th.

VOTE: On a motion made by Susan Bollinger and seconded by Susie Scholl, it was unanimously voted to request at the May 10th Town Meeting the budget of \$36,615,000.

Voting Yes: Michael Tropeano, David Boyle, Lance Kennedy, Susie Scholl and Susan Bollinger
Voting No: none
Abstaining: none
Absent: none

VOTE: 7:23PM, on a motion made by Susie Scholl and seconded by Lance Kennedy, it was unanimously voted to adjourn.

Voting Yes: Michael Tropeano, David Boyle, Lance Kennedy, Susie Scholl and Susan Bollinger
Voting No: none
Abstaining: none
Absent: none

APPROVED: May 10, 2022

MOTIONS

VOTE: At 7:07pm, on a motion made by David Boyle and seconded by Susan Bollinger, it was unanimously voted to open the Public Budget Hearing.

Voting Yes: Michael Tropeano, David Boyle, Lance Kennedy, Susie Scholl and Susan Bollinger
Voting No: none
Abstaining: none
Absent: none

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Voting Yes: Michael Tropeano, David Boyle, Lance Kennedy, Susie Scholl and Susan Bollinger

Voting No: none

Abstaining: none

Absent: none

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Voting Yes: Michael Tropeano, David Boyle, Lance Kennedy, Susie Scholl and Susan Bollinger

Voting No: none

Abstaining: none

Absent: none