

NEWBURYPORT SCHOOL COMMITTEE SPECIAL BUSINESS MEETING
Senior/Community Center, 331 High Street, Newburyport, MA 01950

Monday, April 29, 2024

Present: Mayor Sean Reardon, Sarah Hall, Brian Callahan, Kathleen Shaw, Breanna Higgins, Juliet Walker and Andrew Boger.

CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

Mayor Sean Reardon called the Special Business meeting of the Newburyport School Committee to order at 6:04PM. Roll call found all members present, except Andrew Boger who arrived late (6:05PM). At this point in the meeting, Sarah Hall took over.

FY25 NPS Budget

- Superintendent Gallagher reviewed four options for the City Appropriation: 4.99%, 4.74%, 4.5% and 4.25%.
- Phil Littlehale explained how funds in School Choice and Revolving accounts would be used to cover the increased expenses in each scenario.
- The Superintendent recommended the 4.5% City Appropriation; Mayor Sean Reardon feels he can make this work.

Motion:

On a motion by Sarah Hall and seconded by Juliet Walker it was

VOTED: to approve the FY25 Budget as presented, totaling \$44,005,188, with the following cost centers: Bresnahan (\$8,743,600), Molin (\$4,112,641), Nock (\$6,574,741), Newburyport High School (\$10,945,441), System-Wide (\$13,628,765) with funding sources as outlined in the summary with the City Appropriation of 4.5%, (with an overall 2.99%) (in accordance to Policy DBG – Budget Adoption Procedures).

Roll Call Vote

School Committee Member	Vote
Mayor Sean Reardon	Present
Sarah Hall	Yes
Andrew Boger	Yes
Brian Callahan	Yes
Breanna Higgins	Yes
Kathleen Shaw	Yes
Juliet Walker	Yes

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ADJOURNMENT

Motion:

On a motion by Mayor Sean Reardon and seconded by Brian Callahan it was

VOTED: to adjourn the Special Business meeting of the Newburyport School Committee and move into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing possible litigation and/or legal matters, and not to reconvene in open session at 6:20 PM.

Motion Passed

Roll Call Vote

School Committee Member	Vote
Mayor Sean Reardon	Yes
Sarah Hall	Yes
Andrew Boger	Yes
Brian Callahan	Yes
Breanna Higgins	Yes
Kathleen Shaw	Yes
Juliet Walker	Yes