APPROVED PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES

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Timberlane Regional School Board
Meeting Minutes

Public Hearing
February 18, 2026
6:00 PM

Atkinson Academy
17 Academy Ave.
Atkinson, NH

Call to Order

Board Members Present
Marianne Springer, Shauna Manthorn, Katie Knutsen, Don Woodworth, Jack Sapia, Alyssa Kowalczyk
Excused Absence: Paul LeCain, Brienna Woodworth, Mark Sherwood

Administrator Present: Justin Krieger, Superintendent

Mrs. Knutsen called the public hearing to order at 6:00 pm.

A video from the original petitioner of the warrant article regarding the tax cap was played. Mr. Nolan Pelletier, the original petitioner, explained he brought this warrant forth to give the taxpayers a tool to stabilize their bills and to prevent the unsustainable hikes that are crushing all of our households. His goal was to create a 2.5% tax cap model after successful legislation in Massachusetts to ensure our towns remain affordable. He stated at the Deliberative Session, this warrant was sabotaged and it was amended from 2.5% to a 25% tax cap. This effectively rendered the article meaningless. He is asking voters to vote no on Article 18.

Mrs. Kowalczyk explained for the community she sat on the tax cap committee along with Mrs. Springer. Ultimately, the committee came to the conclusion that a tax cap was not a sustainable option due to many restrictions and with the cost of living increase, there would be a minimal amount left to run the school district.

There was no public input. Mrs. Knutsen closed the meeting at 6:07 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Mahoney
Recording Secretary

Approved by the School Board on March 5, 2026.