

Brunetti

Carl Brunetti, Bob Turner, Bruce Whitehead, Nicholas Rodrigues, Andrew Esposito, Sandra Ackerman, **Richard Denerstein**, Dave Hart, **Aidan Carey**, Jennifer Stadnik
Also in attendance: Jose Escobar, Marc Beaulieu.

*Marked red denotes absence

Minutes 11-16-23

Motion by Bob Tucker to approve and second by Sandra Ackerman unanimous.

Richard Denerstein resigned and will be replaced by Marc Beaulieu.

Correspondence:

11/17/23 – Requested for town tour approved, Town Clerk to place on Town calendar.

11-21-23: Email from Richard Denerstein informing us that the Town Solicitor has determined that he can't continue to represent District 4 once he moves to District 2.

12/1/23 – Emailed John McNamee asking for adapted FY25 School Department budget in excel form, responded 12/1 stating he should be able to send in a week.

1/2/24 – Town Clerk informed that the Budget Board meeting schedule will be on the Town Calendar.

11/22/23 Emailed Town Counselors for Districts 4 and 5 about the Budget Board openings in their Districts.

1/8/24 – Emailed Cory Gibb regarding repurposed laptop for Carmen.

12/20/23 - Requested copy of School Department FY25 Superintendent Budget presentation supplied by John McNamee on 12/21/23.

12/18/23 – Reached out to Marc Beaulieu inviting him to attend our meetings until officially appointed.

12/8/23 – Reached out to Joe Goho suggesting the capital spending of operations be deferred pending the project deficit.

12/4 – Emailed Pam Azar about possible candidate for open District 4, she responded that they have a possible candidate.

12/21/23, 1/4/24 – Request to Superintendent for copy of November finance report.

Public Comment: None

New Business:

Marc Beaulieu and Carmen Reverdes introduced themselves to all of us.

Open budget board position

FY 24 Municipal Budget “Town council meeting on 12/14 tax collection is on target. Second quarterly received and posted. Casino weekending 11/30/23, table at 103% from FY at 74% of FY2018. Expenditures for FY24 are in progress.

FY24 Education Operating budget from the December 2023 Finance Report:

Audit unrestricted fund balance as 6/30/2022 is \$328,909.00, projecting deficit for FY23 approximately \$179,000.00. Accumulated fund balance as 6/30/2022 to absorb this deficit and still have a carryover unrestricted fund to FY23 of \$150,000.00. The remaining accumulated surplus is not an ideal situation based on a \$60 million budget; the issue needs to be considered before FY25 budget. Projecting an FY24 deficit of approximately \$55,000.00.

Status of School Department Capital Projects did not ask the School Department.

The School Department proposed FY25 budgets, maintenance of effort 4% increase.

Physical Education Complex-solar panels approved.

Sandra Ackerman will send minutes regarding her meeting.

Public Comments: None

Adjourn

Motion to adjourn by Dave Hart and second by Bruce Whitehead @8:45pm

1/29/24 School Department Capital Budget meeting @5:30pm.

Next Meeting date: 2/1/2024

2/15/2024 Town Administrator presentation budget