# Municipal Budget Committee Meeting 6:30 PM

### **November 29, 2022**

#### **Kearsarge Learning Campus, New London**

Roll call, Clerk

#### **Public Hearing**

- 1. Opening of Public Hearing for the 2023 Warrant
- 2. 2023 Warrant Items Review
- 3. Close Hearing Open meeting

#### **MBC Meeting Agenda**

- 1. Approval of Previous Minutes
- 2. Deliberative Session January 7, Inclement Weather Date January 14, 2023
- 3. Other Business as required
- 4. MS27
- 5. Non Public Session

Zoom Address:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85706040155

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### **Municipal Budget Committee**Minutes of the Public Meeting

#### **Kearsarge Regional School District**

11/15/22

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I. Call to Order	Call to order @ 6:30 by Richard Anderson
II. Roll Call	Present: Richard Anderson – New London
	Robert Hemenway – Newbury
	Lyndsay Lund Harkins – New London
	David Bates- Warner
	James Bibbo – Bradford
	Luke Gorman – Springfield
	Robert DeFelice – Sutton (virtual)
	Michelle Kendrick - Warner
	Winfried Feneberg – Superintendent
	Michael Bessette – Assistant Superintendent
	Larry LeBoeuf – Business Administrator
	BeBe Casey – School Board Rep.
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	Absent : Tom Schamberg- Wilmot
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III. Approval of	Mr. DeFelice made the motion to approve the minutes of 10/25/22 as
Minutes	submitted. Seconded by Mr. Gorman. 8/0 motion carried
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V. Public Comment	No Public comment
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IV. New Business	
	due to medical reasons. Mr. Bibbo made the motion to allow Robert DeFelice to
	vote during this meeting. Luke Gorman seconded. 8/0 motion carried.
	Warrant Article Discussion:
	• Supt. Feneberg stated there has been another adjustment to the budget.
	Mr. LeBoeuf suggested the idea of procuring a Municipal lease for the
	larger district projects. Specifically, the Heating, ventilation and air
	conditioning system at the High School in the amount of \$500,000 (the
	hvac system was part of the STEAM wing project) and the Fire
	Suppression system at Simonds Elementary in the amount of \$300,000.
	The Lease Company holds the funds and pays the vendors directly. This
	alleviates presenting a bond or a warrant article.
	The district would pay the lease at a fixed rate for five years. Removing
\ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \	these two projects adjust the budget increase to 7.87% a drop from the
\ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \	last budget presented. The District has conferred with legal multiple
	times about the details of a Municipal lease. The business office will
	look into terms of paying the lease off early.
, ,	• The district Health plan rate came in at 14%, the highest it has been. The
	district projected it to be at 10%. This information led into a discussion
	about how health care bids work and what companies bid in the State of
	NH and where those bids usually come in.
	• There was a discussion about the decrease in revenues for the school
	district in the area of Medicaid reimbursements and Special Education
	aide.
	<ul> <li>The Kearsarge Regional Charter doesn't allow for a default budget.</li> </ul>
	However, a third budget can be presented and voted on at the

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	deliberative sessions meeting with a majority. To then be placed on the ballot.
	Both boards have months of deliberations over this budget, looking
	closely at any and all options.
	• The district will use \$250,000 out of the maintenance trust fund to repair
	the boilers at the High School. There was a discussion about Article 4
	and the need to replenish the trust fund. Debating if the district should
	make the amount \$50,000 instead of the \$100,000?
	PEAK Collective Bargaining Agreement:
	Supt. Feneberg spoke to the Collective Bargaining Agreement between
	Kearsarge Regional School Board and Para Educators in detail, Some
	changes were involved, but over all a good outcome for all parties.
	KRSD was short sixteen paras at the beginning of the school year and
	are currently short fourteen. The district currently employees 84 paras
	district wide.
	The MBC board consensus was to vote tonight and revote in two weeks if need
	be.
	Article 1: Mr. Bibbo made a motion to approve Article 1 as written. Mr.
	Gorman seconded. 8/0 the motion carried.
	Article 2: Mr. Gorman made a motion to approve Article 2 as written. Ms.
	Lund-Harkins seconded. 8/0 the motion carried.
	Article 3: Mr. Gorman made a motion to approve Article 3 as written. Ms.
	Lund-Harkins seconded. 8/0 the motion carried.
	Article 4: Mr. Gorman made a motion to approve Article 4 as written. Mr.
	Hemenway seconded. 7/1 the motion carried.
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V. Adjourn	Ms. Lund-Harkins made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Gorman
	seconded. 8/0 the motion carried, meeting adjourned at 7:55 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Carolyn Kershaw MBC Clerk