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EPPING SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES
FEBRUARY 4, 2010

The Epping School Board convened immediately following the Deliberative Session in the Darryl Rice Media Center to review and vote on amended warrant articles and to address other issues. In attendance were School Board Members Gregory Dodge, Scott Booth, Shawn Patton, Sue Kimball, and Dave Mylott, Business Administrator Martha Williamson, and Superintendent Barbara Munsey. The meeting was called to order at 8:12 pm.

Warrant Articles - No warrant articles were amended at the deliberative session. No reconsideration was necessary.

Vendor Manifest - Sue Kimball made a motion to approve vendor manifest #15 dated 02-04-10 in the amount of \$249,554.85, seconded by Dave Mylott. The motion passed 5-0.

Payroll Manifest - Sue Kimball made a motion to approve payroll manifest #15 dated 01-22-10 in the amount of \$410,013.95, seconded by Dave Mylott. The motion passed 5-0. Sue Kimball made a motion to approve vendor manifest #16 dated 02-05-10 in the amount of \$341,065.64, seconded by Dave Mylott. The motion passed 5-0.

Principal Search – Discussion took place regarding School Board representation in the principal search process. Shawn Patton made a motion to nominate Sue Kimball to serve on the administrative resume review and interview team, seconded by Dave Mylott. The motion passed 5-0. It was further clarified that two other members would serve on the community committees. Dave Mylott and Scott Booth expressed interest, but the decision was placed on hold due to the upcoming election.

Audit Letter – The audit letter for the school year ending June 30, 2009 was distributed.

Facility Fee Waivers – EYAA requested a waiver of the \$75 custodial fee for the Sunday cleanup after weekend use. After discussion it was agreed that the issue was that the area needed to be clean for the opening of school on Monday. Scott Booth made a motion to grant EYAA the waiver upon condition that the school was left as found, seconded by Dave Mylott. The motion passed 5-0. It was further clarified that this decision was conditional. If there was one incident in which the school was not left as found, then the waiver was withdrawn.

Epping Police Department's waiver request for facility use on February 13th was discussed. Scott Booth made a motion to approve the EPD waiver subject to leaving the facility as found, seconded by Shawn Patton. The motion passed 4-0 with Gregory Dodge not voting.

Epping Fire Department's waiver request for the Fireman's Ball was discussed. Scott Booth made a motion to approve the EFD waiver subject to leaving the facility as found, seconded by Dave Mylott. The motion passed 4-0-1 with Shawn Patton abstaining.

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Tree Removal – Business Administrator Martha Williamson reported that tree branches have been falling on Watson Academy and that the town was planning to cut some trees. It is estimated that tree removal at Watson Academy would cost approximately \$3,000 if the district went in with the town. It was explained that the district owns the property. Community Member Amy Randall added that now that the district knew about the issue there was an associated liability. Shawn Patton made a motion to remove five trees and authorize George Kimball to supervise the project and consult Gregory Dodge to approve any further action, seconded by Dave Mylott. The motion passed 3-1-1 with Scott Booth abstaining.

Resignation – Superintendent Barbara Munsey presented Philip Loud’s resignation from a high school math position for personal reasons. Gregory Dodge made a motion to approve the resignation with regret, seconded by Sue Kimball. The motion passed 5-0.

Other – Scott Booth requested that the Superintendent report on staff non-renewal by the March 4th meeting.

Shawn Patton inquired about graduation being indoors. There was a concern about limiting the number of attendees as graduation is a community event. There was also a discussion about the cost of the outside risers. It was explained that last year although the rain stopped in time to have graduation, the field was too saturated to walk on. The school did the best they could under the circumstances.

Gregory Dodge stated that he had a concern about the cost of the attorney for the deliberative session, but acknowledged that it is common practice after doing some research.

Gregory Dodge reminded everyone of the March 9th election with Jeff Harris, Dave Mylott, and Scott Booth running for the two open seats.

Adjournment – Dave Mylott made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Scott Booth. The motion passed 5-0. The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara D. Munsey