Town of Seymour
Board of Finance

Minutes

Budget Deliberations
Wednesday, February 1, 2017 at 7:00pm
Norma Drummer Room, Seymour Town Hall

Members Present: Zani Imetovski, Heather McDaniel, Bill Sawicki, John Stelma

Members Absent: Aileen Baldwin, Jim Cretella, Beverly Kennedy; Richard Demko (alternate)

Others Present: Stephan Behuniak, Rick Belden, Jennifer Magri, Susan McLean, Kurt Miller, Yashu Putorti, Christine Syriac, and Doug Thomas

Item #1 – Call Meeting to order
Chairman Bill Sawicki called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

Item #2 – Pledge of Allegiance
Everyone saluted the Flag and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Item #3 – Seating of Alternates
None

Item #4 – Deliberation and Discussion of 2017/2018 Budget
The Board of Finance discussed the following department’s budget:
  - Board of Education – presented by Yashu Putorti
    - Christine Syriac will be retiring this year – many thanks for a job well done; especially excellent budget work – we will miss you.
    - The Board of Education has approved the attached budget of $33,107,338 which represents an increase of $507,922 which is only a 1.56% increase over last year.
    - Of the 73 lines comprising the budget, 33 have an increase and 40 have no change or a decrease.
    - The biggest expense will be $190,388 for retirement payments; without this expense, the budget increase goes down to 0.9%.
    - There was a handout of “Proposed Adjustments to Baseline Draft” detailing the additions and reductions of staff.

Item #5 – Adjournment
Meeting was adjourned at 7:46pm.

Submitted by:
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Recording Secretary