

Select Board Meeting
June 15, 2023, 4:00 PM

In attendance: David Dufresne, Chair; Rich Eichacker, Vice-Chair; Derick Veliz, Clerk;
James Ferrera, Town Administrator; Karen Dusty, Administrative Assistant

Call Meeting to order: 4:06PM
Pledge of Allegiance


1) **Continued discussion of the proposed Fiscal Year 2024 Quaboag Regional School District Budget request with District Officials:** Mr. Dufresne stated that the goal for this meeting is come to an understanding and sign the warrant for the Special Town Meeting on June 29, 2023. Mr. Dufresne thanked the school for providing the documents that the Board requested but not all. The school did not provide the budget breakdown. The Interim Superintendent, Ms. Binienda stated that because they do not have a Finance director and they are sending out everything to a third party, since they do not have it. Mr. Dufresne stated that the School Committee was now asking for \$609,903.00 above minimum contribution and the town recommended \$110,000.00 so we are still apart but closer. Mr. Duff stated that it is the School Committee's obligation to get money to help the students. Mr. Dufresne stated that it is the Select Board's responsibility to look out for all the departments and the residents of the town. Mr. Duff said that he was not happy with the number and that he would have liked to have seen the original amount. Mr. Dufresne stated that they are also not happy with the number, and they would have liked to have seen an even lower number, but we will bring it to the town for a vote.

2) **Discussion and possible vote to sign a Special Town Meeting Warrant for the Quaboag Regional School District Fiscal Year 2024 budget.** Mr. Eichacker made a motion to present the following amounts at the Special Town Meeting:

Warren Minimum Local Contribution	\$2,886,067.00
Above Minimum Contribution	\$ 609,903.00
Transportation	\$ 888,994.00
Total Operating Assessment	\$4,384,964.00
Debit Service for Capital Payments	\$ 140,334.00
Total Quaboag Regional School District Assessment	\$4,525,298.00

Adjourn: Mr. Eichacker made a motion to adjourn 2nd Mr. Veliz AIF adjourned 7:00PM

Respectfully submitted by
Karen Dusty, Administrative Assistant


Derick Veliz, Clerk

Revenue and Expense Summary (level service)

BUDGET VOTED 6-5-23

REVENUES:	FY2023 FINAL VERSION	FY2024 PROPOSED VERSION	FY24 v FY23 Increase	
Operating:				
Warren Minimum Local Contribution	\$ 2,773,132	\$ 2,886,067	\$ 112,935	
Above Minimum Contribution	\$ 523,142	\$ 609,903	\$ 86,761	
Transportation	\$ 912,590	\$ 888,994	\$ (23,596)	
TOTAL OPERATING	\$ 4,208,864	\$ 4,384,964	\$ 176,100	
W. Brookfield Minimum Local Contribution	\$ 3,337,616	\$ 3,525,821	\$ 188,205	
Above Minimum Contribution	\$ 351,436	\$ 430,000	\$ 78,564	
Transportation	\$ 612,970	\$ 626,802	\$ 13,832	
TOTAL OPERATING	\$ 4,302,022	\$ 4,582,623	\$ 280,601	
TOTAL TOWN OPERATING ASSESSMENTS	\$ 8,510,886	\$ 8,967,587	\$ 456,701	
State:				
State Aid - Chapter 70	\$ 9,257,500	\$ 10,338,129	\$ 1,080,629	
State Aid - Chapter 71 Transportation Reimb	\$ 669,625	\$ 895,598	\$ 225,973	85/90% reimbursement used
Charter Reimbursement	\$ 64,010	\$ 71,868	\$ 7,858	
School Choice	\$ 908,673	\$ -	\$ (908,673)	\$970k used as expense offset
Miscellaneous Revenue	\$ 7,000	\$ 7,000	\$ -	
Total State Aid	\$ 10,906,808	\$ 11,312,595	\$ 405,787	
Local:				
Investment Income (Interest)	\$ 15,000	\$ 750	\$ (14,250)	\$15k budgeted every year,
Fees (Parking)	\$ 2,500	\$ 2,600	\$ 100	actuals not close to budget
Medicaid Reimbursement	\$ 80,000	\$ 82,000	\$ 2,000	
Total Other Revenues	\$ 97,500	\$ 85,350	\$ (12,150)	
Other Financing Sources:				
E & D Use	\$ 250,000	\$ 240,000	\$ (10,000)	
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES	\$ 19,765,194	\$ 20,605,532	\$ 840,339	
Capital (Bond) payment - Warren	\$ 134,193	\$ 140,334	\$ 6,141	
Capital (Bond) payment - W Brookfield	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
TOTAL CAPITAL REVENUES	\$ 134,193	\$ 140,334	\$ 6,141	
TOTAL REVENUE	\$ 19,899,387	\$ 20,745,866	\$ 846,479	
EXPENDITURES:				
Operating:				
District Wide Expenses	\$ 4,180,980	\$ 7,674,182	\$ 3,493,201	4.25%
Warren Community Elementary School	\$ 4,476,821	\$ 3,541,202	\$ (935,619)	
West Brookfield Elementary School	\$ 3,128,843	\$ 2,933,227	\$ (195,616)	
Quaboag Regional Middle/High School	\$ 7,217,786	\$ 6,244,650	\$ (973,136)	
School Choice Sending Tuition	\$ 628,716	\$ 631,994	\$ 3,278	
Charter School Sending Tuition	\$ 132,048	\$ 168,678	\$ 36,630	
LESS: Remaining Budget Cuts TBD	\$ -	\$ (588,401)	\$ (588,401)	
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENDITURES	\$ 19,765,194	\$ 20,605,532	\$ 1,428,739	
Debt Service:				
Principal	\$ 120,391	\$ 120,391	\$ -	
Interest	\$ 13,802	\$ 19,943	\$ 6,141	
Total Debt Service	\$ 134,193	\$ 140,334	\$ 6,141	
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 19,899,387	\$ 20,745,866	\$ 846,479	4.25%
Total Request Above Minimum	\$ 874,578	\$ 1,039,903	\$ 18,900	
Total Warren	\$ 4,343,057	\$ 4,525,298	\$ 182,241	4.20%
Total West Brookfield	\$ 4,302,022	\$ 4,582,623	\$ 280,601	6.52%
% Enrollment Allocation Warren	60.68%	58.65%	651	
% Enrollment Allocation West Brookfield	39.32%	41.35%	459	