

Legislative council

Education Sub-Committee

Special meeting

3 primrose Street, Newtown, CT

April 5th, 2023

MINUTES

Present: Phil Carroll, William DeRosa, Michelle Embree Ku, Lisa Kessler, Dan Honan, Deborra Zukowski, Christopher Melillo, Tanja Gouveia, Jeff Capeci, L.C. member Ryan Knapp, one member of the public-Heather Simes

Absent: Angela Curie

Call to Order: Mr. Carroll called the meeting to order at 7:01PM

Salute to the Flag:

Motion to accept minutes of March 28, 2023 made by Mr. Capaci seconded by Mr. DeRosa, All approve

We discussed many of the questions and answers that were previously submitted as well as comparisons to other local towns regarding PPE and budget increases.

Mr. Melillo stated that there may be items in this budget that may be able to be held off until next year.

Ms Gouveia stated SPED personnel not hired due to lack of applicants and support personnel in short supply and costly.

MOTIONS: Michelle Ku made a motion to accept the proposed budget as the Finance board approved it seconded by Dan Honan. Vote failed 4 to 2. Mr. DeRosa made a motion to reduce the increase in budget by \$700,000. Seconded by Mr. Carroll. Ms Ku offered an amendment to the motion to reduce the increase by \$200,000. Seconded by Mr. Honan. Mr. Capeci offered an amendment to reduce the increase in the budget by 550,000. Seconded by Mr. Carroll. Ms Ku's amendment failed 4-2

Mr. Capeci's amendment passed 4-2 with Ms. Ku and Mr. Honan voting no.

Adjournment: Meeting was adjourned at 7:38 PM

Respectfully submitted by

Philip Carroll Legislative Council Education sub-committee