

**Monadnock Regional School District
PUBLIC HEARING
Budget Committee Meeting Minutes
January 12, 2023 (Not Yet Approved)
MRMHS Auditorium, Swanzey, NH**

Budget Committee Members Present: Wayne Lechluder, Ed Sheldon, Doug Bersaw, Dan Coffman, Jon Hoden, Adam Hopkins, Nancy Carney, Richard HKS Thackston, Scott Peters, School Board Liaison and Anne Marie Osheyack. **Absent:** Phyllis Peterson, Robert Audette, Open Seat for Roxbury and Open Seat for Gilsum.

Also Present: L. Witte, Superintendent and J. Morin, Business Administrator

A.Hopkins opened the Public Hearing at 7:08 PM.

PUBLIC HEARING: A. Hopkins explained Article One the Warrant Article for the Elementary School Renovations was already discussed at the Bond Hearing which was held just before this meeting. **ARTICLE TWO-Proposed Budget:** Article Two is the proposed budget and the proposed default budget. A. Hopkins explained this is presented and supported by the School Board and the administration. The Budget committee will set the number after this meeting. **ARTICLE THREE-Repair of the MRMHS Roof:** The article was read and there was no discussion. **ARTICLE FOUR-MESSA Contract:** L. Steadman, the Chair of the Negotiating Committee, commented that the committee is very proud of the contract and it was to the School Board and the Budget Committee in record time. The contract will raise the starting hourly pay to \$15.00 in the first year, \$15.25 in the second year and from \$15.55 to \$16.00 in the third year. There are off step increases and the opt out for health insurance has increased from \$2500.00 to \$5000.00. She provided to the Budget Committee the summary sheets which state the items in the contract that were negotiated. She hopes that the Budget Committee will support this. **ARTICLE FIVE-Special Education Expendable Trust:** The article was read and there were no comments. **ARTICLE SIX-District Vehicle Expendable Trust:** The article was read and there were no comments.

A.Hopkins CLOSED the Public Hearing at 7:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

**Laura L. Aivaliotis
MRSD Recording Secretary**