

May 11, 2015

The Budget Hearing of the Board of Education of the Westhampton Beach Union Free School District, Suffolk County, New York, was held in the High School Library of the Westhampton Beach Public Schools, Westhampton Beach, New York, on May 11, 2015.

Board of Education members present: Ms. Suzanne M. Mensch, Mr. Halsey Stevens, Ms. Claire Bean, Mr. Bryan Dean, Ms. Joyce L. Donneson, and Mr. James N. Hulme.

Absent: Mr. George R. Kast

Also Present: Michael R. Radday, Superintendent of Schools; Judy McCarthy, District Clerk; Bill Fisher, Assistant Superintendent for Personnel & Instruction; Kathleen O'Hara, Assistant Superintendent for Business; MaryAnn Ambrosini, Director of Pupil Personnel Services; Chris Herr, High School Principal; Charisse Miller, Middle School Principal; Lisa Slover, Elementary School Principal; Dr. Robert Finn, Director of Guidance/Data Management; Ms. Kathleen Masterson, Director of Athletics; and approximately 35 staff and community members.

The meeting was called to order by Ms. Suzanne M. Mensch, President, at 7:00 PM.

The pledge was conducted.

Ms. Mensch announced that this is a Hearing Meeting only, on the proposed expenditures of the School District for the 2015/16 school year, and that voting on the proposed budget shall be held on Tuesday, May 19, 2015, between the hours of 7:00 AM and 9:00 PM in the High School LGI Room, (behind the District Auditorium), Westhampton Beach, New York.

On motion of Mr. Stevens, second by Ms. Donneson, it was moved to open discussion of the proposed budget.

Vote: Yes 6 No 0

Ms. Joan Levan, Westhampton Free Library Trustee, presented information about the library's proposed budget.

Mr. George R. Kast arrived.

Mr. Radday gave a PowerPoint presentation of the highlights of the District's proposed 2015/16 school budget. Questions about the budget were answered by the Board.

Ms. Mensch advised the public that all voting will be held on Tuesday, May 19, 2015, between the hours of 7:00 AM and 9:00 PM in the High School LGI Room.

- Ms. Mensch presented the propositions and Board vacancies as follows:
 - Proposition 1 - SHALL the Budget of the Westhampton Beach Union Free School District, Suffolk County, New York, in the amount of \$54,963,227 for the fiscal year 2015/16 be approved, and a tax levied therefor upon the taxable property of the school district?
 - Proposition 2 - SHALL the Board of Education of the Westhampton Beach Union Free School District, Suffolk County, New York, be authorized to raise the sum of \$2,158,356 for payment of operational and bond financing expenses of the Westhampton Free Library for the fiscal year 2015/16, and to levy the necessary tax therefor?

- Board Members – Elect three (3) members of the Board of Education: two (2) for a term of five (5) years commencing July 1, 2015, and expiring June 30, 2020 and one (1) for a term commencing May 19, 2015 through June 30, 2017. The two candidates garnering the highest number of votes will fill the two full terms, and the candidate with the third highest number of votes will fill the unexpired term. Candidates for these seats are Suzanne Mensch, Joyce Donneson, Stacy Rubio and Stephen Wisnoski.

ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Mr. Stevens, second by Mr. Dean, all business being complete, Ms. Mensch declared the meeting adjourned at 7:25 PM.

Vote: Yes 7 No 0

Judy McCarthy, District Clerk

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