

May 8, 2023

The Budget Hearing of the Board of Education of the Westhampton Beach Union Free School District, Suffolk County, New York, was held at 7:00 p.m. in the High School LGI Room, on May 8, 2023.

Board of Education members present: Ms. Suzanne M. Mensch, Ms. Dawn Arrasate, Ms. Joyce Donneson, Mr. George R. Kast, Ms. Elizabeth Lanni-Hewitt, Mr. Halsey C. Stevens, and Ms. Heather A. Wright.

Also Present: Carolyn J. Probst, Superintendent of Schools; Judy Iannone, District Clerk; Bill Fisher, Assistant Superintendent for Personnel & Instruction; Jacqueline I. Pirro, Assistant Superintendent for Business; and approximately 13 attendees.

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 Budget Hearing Meeting only, on the proposed expenditures of the School District for the 2023/2024 school year, and that voting on the proposed budget shall be held on Tuesday, May 16, 2023, 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 Ms. Donneson, second by Ms. Arrasate, it was moved to open discussion of the proposed budget.

Vote: Yes 7 No 0

Ms. Danielle Waskiewicz, Westhampton Free Library Director, presented information about the library's proposed budget.

Dr. Probst reviewed the District's proposed school budget.

Ms. Mensch advised the public that all voting will be held on Tuesday, May 16, 2023, 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 \$62,994,351 for the fiscal year 2023-2024 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 \$2,550,193 for payment of operational and bond financing expenses of the Westhampton Free Library for the fiscal year 2023-2024, and to levy the necessary tax therefor?
 - Board of Education – Election of two (2) members to the Board of Education, each for a term of three (3) years, commencing July 1, 2023 and expiring June 30, 2026 (Candidates: Halsey C. Stevens and Heather A. Wright).

ADJOURNMENT

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

Vote: Yes 7 No 0

Judy Iannone, District Clerk

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