

Town of Candia Municipal Budget Committee
Supplemental Public Hearing on the Town and School Budgets
and Warrant Articles
Approved Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: January 9, 2019
Location: Town Office Building
Attendees: Lynn Chivers
Bob Stout
Sue Young
Todd Keating
Dick Snow
Jodi Hedstrom
Susan Gill
Katrina Niles
Stephanie Helmig
Kaycee Vitale

Chairman Chivers opened the meeting at 7:00 PM

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Minutes from 12/12 and 12/13

- 12/12 Meeting Minutes
 - Chairman Chivers corrected the spelling of Carla Penfield's name
 - Bob Stout motions to approve as amended
 - Todd Keating Seconds
 - Katrina Niles abstains
 - All in favor
 - Motion Passed
- 12/13 Meeting Minutes
 - No Changes
 - Selectman Young motions to approve
 - Susan Gill Seconds
 - Katrina Niles abstains
 - All in favor
 - Motion Passed

Review of 2019 Town Warrant Articles

- Articles 3-14
 - No Discussion
 - Bob Stout motions to recommend
 - Jodi Hedstrom seconds
 - 9 in favor (Chairman Chivers, Bob Stout, Selectman Young, Todd Keating, Dick Snow, Jodi Hedstrom, Susan Gill, Katrina Niles, Stephanie Helmig)
 - 0 opposed
 - Motion passes
- Article 15
 - Discussion (for full details refer to audio)
 - Chairman Chivers confirmed that this warrant article was in addition to the line item on the budget.
 - Selectman Young clarified that after the last public hearing, when the budget committee added back the money for the Smyth Memorial Building, all it did was add it back to the bottom line. Whether the money goes to the Smyth Library or not is up to the Selectman's discretion.
 - Discussion ensued around the amount of money, what it is used for, and current savings account for the Smyth Memorial Building.

- Article 21
 - No Discussion
 - Dick Snow motions to recommend
 - Susan Gill seconds
 - 9 in favor (Chairman Chivers, Bob Stout, Selectman Young, Todd Keating, Dick Snow, Jodi Hedstrom, Susan Gill, Katrina Niles, Stephanie Helmig)
 - 0 opposed
 - Motion passes
- Article 22
 - No Discussion
 - Susan Gil motions to recommend
 - Katrina Niles seconds
 - 9 in favor (Chairman Chivers, Bob Stout, Selectman Young, Todd Keating, Dick Snow, Jodi Hedstrom, Susan Gill, Katrina Niles, Stephanie Helmig)
 - 0 opposed
 - Motion passes
- Article 23
 - Discussion ensued around last years discussion on the article and who sponsors this warrant article (for full details refer to audio)
 - Dick Snow motions to recommend
 - Jodi Hedstrom seconds
 - 7 in favor (Selectman Young, Todd Keating, Dick Snow, Jodi Hedstrom, Susan Gill, Katrina Niles, Stephanie Helmig)
 - 2 opposed (Chairman Chivers, Bob Stout)
 - Motion passes
- Article 24
 - No Discussion
 - Dick Snow motions to recommend
 - Jodi Hedstrom seconds
 - 9 in favor (Chairman Chivers, Bob Stout, Selectman Young, Todd Keating, Dick Snow, Jodi Hedstrom, Susan Gill, Katrina Niles, Stephanie Helmig)
 - 0 opposed
 - Motion passes
- Articles 25-27
 - No Vote
- Article 28
 - No Discussion
 - Jodi Hedstrom motions to recommend
 - Katrina Niles seconds
 - 9 in favor (Chairman Chivers, Bob Stout, Selectman Young, Todd Keating, Dick Snow, Jodi Hedstrom, Susan Gill, Katrina Niles, Stephanie Helmig)
 - 0 opposed
 - Motion passes
- Article 29
 - No Discussion
 - Todd Keating motions to recommend
 - Dick Snow seconds
 - 9 in favor (Chairman Chivers, Bob Stout, Selectman Young, Todd Keating, Dick Snow, Jodi Hedstrom, Susan Gill, Katrina Niles, Stephanie Helmig)
 - 0 opposed
 - Motion passes
- Article 30
 - Discussion ensued (for full details refer to audio)
 - Susan Gill would like to know the plan
 - Selectman Young believes the amount is not high enough
 - Selectman Young motions to recommend
 - Katrina Niles seconds

- 8 in favor (Chairman Chivers, Bob Stout, Selectman Young, Todd Keating, Jodi Hedstrom, Susan Gill, Katrina Niles, Stephanie Helmig)
 - 0 opposed
 - 1 abstains (Dick Snow)
 - Motion passes
- Article 31
 - No Vote
- Article 32
 - Discussion ensued (for full details refer to audio)
 - Dick Snow spoke on his opinion of the article
 - Todd Keating motions to not recommend
 - Selectman Young seconds
 - 9 in favor (Chairman Chivers, Bob Stout, Selectman Young, Todd Keating, Dick Snow, Jodi Hedstrom, Susan Gill, Katrina Niles, Stephanie Helmig)
 - 0 opposed
 - Motion passes
- Article 33
 - Discussion ensued (for full details refer to audio)
 - Selectman Young spoke on the warrant article being passed deadline
 - Chairman Chivers explained the deadlines for petitioned warrant articles and non-petitioned warrant articles. Chairman Chivers also explained that it is not in the purview of the budget committee to determine if it was legal or not; it is the job of the budget committee to recommend and vote on the merit of the article. Discussion ensued.
 - A letter from Rudy Cartier was read out loud to ask for support
 - Selectman Boyd Chivers spoke up in opposition of the article. (for full details refer to audio)
 - Selectman Scott Komisarek spoke up in support of recommending the article. (for full details refer to audio)
 - Becky Hopkins asked a question on how the funds would be spent
 - Selectman Young responded to Selectman Komisarek's comments
 - Stephanie Helmig spoke up in support of the article
 - Dick Snow spoke up in support of the article
 - Chairman Chivers spoke up in opposition of the article
 - Dick Snow motions to recommend
 - Selectman Young seconds
 - 5 in favor (Selectman Young (based on the previous vote by the selectboard), Dick Snow, Jodi Hedstrom, Susan Gill, Stephanie Helmig)
 - 4 opposed (Todd Keating, Chairman Chivers, Bob Stout, Katrina Niles)
 - Motion passes
- Article 2
 - No Discussion
 - Jodi Hedstrom motions to recommend
 - Katrina Niles seconds
 - 9 in favor (Chairman Chivers, Bob Stout, Selectman Young, Todd Keating, Dick Snow, Jodi Hedstrom, Susan Gill, Katrina Niles, Stephanie Helmig)
 - 0 opposed
 - Motion passes

Review of 2019 School Warrant Articles

- Article 2
 - Discussion ensued (for full details refer to audio)
 - Chairman Chivers asked for an explanation on what is included in the step increases
 - Dr. Littlefield explained the contract increases over three years
 - Selectman Young asked what school pays now per employee for insurance
 - Dr. Littlefield explained each plan, what the school pays, and the decrease year over year the school will pay under the contract.
 - Selectman Young asked how many people will this Article affect
 - Karen Lessard answered 17

- Stephanie Helmig motions to approve
- Jodi Hedstrom seconds
 - 9 in favor (Chairman Chivers, Bob Stout, Selectman Young, Todd Keating, Dick Snow, Jodi Hedstrom, Susan Gill, Katrina Niles, Stephanie Helmig)
 - 0 opposed
 - Motion passes
- Article 3
 - No Discussion
 - Stephanie Helmig motions to approve
 - Selectman Young seconds
 - 9 in favor (Chairman Chivers, Bob Stout, Selectman Young, Todd Keating, Dick Snow, Jodi Hedstrom, Susan Gill, Katrina Niles, Stephanie Helmig)
 - 0 opposed
 - Motion passes

Other Business

- Selectman Young speaks in support of the school board
- Town Deliberative session is Saturday February 2nd, 2019, 9 a.m. at the Henry Moore School

Susan Gill makes a motion to adjourn

Bob Stout Seconds

Meeting to was adjourned at 8:18 pm

Submitted by: Kaycee Vitale, Administrative Assistant