

**Canaan School District  
Annual Meeting Minutes  
Monday, March 2, 2020 – 6:00 PM  
Canaan Memorial High School Gymnasium**

Moderator Morgan Wade called the meeting to order at 8:22 PM.

Chair of the Interstate Committee, Kyle Daley, provided an update to the community on work of the committee looking at the possibilities for the future of education in the North Country.

Representative Paul Lefebvre provided a legislative update on current bills in the legislative session.

Moderator Wade read through Article 1 in its entirety.

**ARTICLE 1.** To elect all Town School District Officers, as required by law.

Moderator Wade read through Article 2 in its entirety.

**ARTICLE 2.** To see if the Town School District will authorize the Board of School Directors to borrow money for current operating expenses in anticipation of taxes.

A motion was made by Odette Crawford and seconded by Terri Herr to open discussion of Article 2.

A motion was made by Odette Crawford and seconded by Judith Masson to move the question of Article 2.

**Article 2 passed in the affirmative as written.**

Moderator Wade read through Article 3 with corrected changes to the equalized pupil of \$17,960 and a 1.416% decrease compared to the current year.

**ARTICLE 3.** Shall the voters of the Canaan School District approve the school board to expend \$3,962,561 which is the amount the school board has determined to be necessary for the ensuing fiscal year? It is estimated that this proposed budget, if approved, will result in education spending of \$17,960 per equalized pupil. This projected spending per equalized pupil is 1.416% lower than the current year.

A motion was made by Odette Crawford and seconded by Renee Marchesseault to open discussion of Article 3.

Board Chair Dan Wade presented the budget highlights related to significant changes to expenditures and receipts.

A motion was made by Bill Johnson to move the question of Article 3.

**Article 3 passed in the affirmative as revised.**

Moderator Wade read through Article 4 in its entirety.

**ARTICLE 4.** Shall bonds or notes of the Canaan School District in an amount not to exceed One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000), subject to reduction from available state and federal grants-in-aid and appropriations, be issued for the purpose of financing the District's share of the cost of making Canaan Schools building improvements, namely, ADA Compliance Upgrades - remodeling bathrooms and the relocation of classrooms for accessibility, electrical panel upgrades, network wiring replacement, elementary roof repairs and general building repairs at an estimated cost of One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000).

**State funds may not be available at the time this project is otherwise eligible to receive state school construction aid. The District is responsible for all costs incurred in connection with any borrowing done in anticipation of the receipt of school construction aid.**

A motion was made by Julie Giroux and seconded by Ben Champagne to open discussion of Article 4.

Superintendent, Karen Conroy, presented the bond proposal slideshow.

A motion was made by Bill Johnson and seconded by Mike Daley to move the question of Article 4.

**Article 4 passed in the affirmative as written.**

Moderator Wade read through Article 5 in its entirety.

**ARTICLE 5.** To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

On a motion made by Dan Johnson the meeting was adjourned at 10:12 PM.

Submitted by:



Bridget Cross  
Acting Clerk

Approved:



Morgan Wade  
School Moderator