

## **NEK Choice School District Meeting**

### **Guildhall Town Office**

**February 24, 2020**

**Present:** Donna Loynd, Melanie Staats, Janice Daniels, John McClaughry, Tim Thompson, Miles Etter, Shawn Conant, Mary Etter, George Blakeslee, Kami Burns, Sharon Ellingwood-White, Darcy Smart, Karen Conroy (Essex North Supervisory Union Superintendent), Gloria Bruce (US Department of Commerce) and Gina Vigneault (Clerk)

#### **ARTICLE I: Call to Order**

Shawn Conant called the meeting to order at 6:08 pm.

#### **ARTICLE II: Election of Officers**

To serve from their election and qualification for one year until election and qualification of their successors:

Moderator - George Blakeslee nominated Shawn Conant. Tim Thompson seconded. There were no other nominations. All in favor of Shawn Conant say Aye. Unanimously approved.

Clerk – Miles Etter nominated Gina Vigneault. Janice Daniels seconded. There were no other nominations. All in favor of Gina Vigneault say Aye. Unanimously approved.

Treasurer – Miles Etter nominated Gina Vigneault. Janice Daniels seconded. There were no other nominations. All in favor of Gina Vigneault say Aye. Unanimously approved.

#### **ARTICLE III: General Public Comments**

Miles Etter thanked everyone for coming and supporting the NEK Choice School District. There was discussion of how towns are very pleased with the NEK Choice School District.

#### **ARTICLE IV: Superintendent Presentation**

Karen Conroy went over Residency & Tuition Vouchers, Current Residency Status, Student Population by Town, NEK Schools, Enrollment by School, Semester 2 Tuition Vouchers, FY21 Budget Summary, Spending Per Equalized Pupil, Homestead Tax Rate (before Merger Incentive), Homestead Tax Rate (after Merger Incentive), FY 21 Equalized Tax Rate and Estimated Impact on Town Taxes

After discussing the above topics and answering any questions that people had. Miles Etter stated that he is curious about how things will come out when the tax incentives are done.

### **ARTICLE V: Appointments and/or Resignations**

Karen Conroy told everyone that there was no activity for this article.

### **ARTICLE VI: Other Business**

Karen Conroy presented the 2020-2021 Meeting Schedule for approval at the next scheduled meeting.

Gloria Bruce from the US Census Bureau talked about the census and how important it is that people fill out the forms and mail them back. The information from the census help to determine where the \$675 Billion is spent. She told everyone that anyone under 10 has never been counted and she is asking schools to send information home with students in March.

### **ARTICLE VII: Adjournment**

Shawn Conant made a motion to adjourn at 7:05 pm.

Respectfully Submitted:

Gina M. Vigneault, Clerk