

FINANCE COMMITTEE

MINUTES

MARCH 30, 2017

Regular Meeting of the Finance Committee was held on Thursday, March 30, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. in Room #112, Town Hall with the following members present: D. Bruce, K. Guyette, J. Burke, E. Barmakian, T. Bowen, J. Denneen, A. Healy, P. Hinton, S. Lawson, J. Leith, R. Mariani, R. Nottebart, P. Stasiukevicius, M. Trudell and J. Vaillancourt. Also in attendance was J. Geosits, Vice-Chairman of the School Committee, and Residents Chandler Sullivan and Ally Hamilton.

7:00 p.m. – Quorum being present, the meeting was called to order by Chairman D. Bruce.

Town Counsel's Letter on Open Meeting Law Complaints/Resolution

Copies of Town Counsel Lauren Goldberg's letter to the Chairman dated March 30, 2017 was presented to the members for their review on handling of the Open Meeting Laws complaints.

Discussion: Open Meeting Violation Complaints

Chairman spoke to the purpose of this meeting was to discuss two Open Meeting Violation Complaints by Finance Committee Member S. Lawson and J. Geosits, private citizen, that have been filed with the Finance Committee Chairman and Town Clerk and received by the Finance Committee on March 27, 2017.

The Chairman has been speaking to Town Counsel L. Goldberg of Kopelman and Paige, P.C. s on the best way to proceed with these complaints. She has suggested that the discussion take place in an open session, as it is better to keep it open and transparent. There was no objection from Committee members to doing it in open session.

The topic of using e-mails has been discussed in the past by the Committee and Chairman has cautioned the Committee not to discuss, debate and express opinions in an e-mail. If it is answered, it becomes an opinion and is a violation of the law. Attorney Goldberg suggested that the Committee request that Town Counsel be authorized prior to the end of the fiscal year to provide a training to the full Committee on the Open Meeting Law, and commit that all members will attend such training or watch a recording of such training. Seven members of the Finance Committee were on the e-mail list, and it became a violation when a copy of the e-mails was sent to the Finance Committee Chairman from the School Committee as this became a quorum.

MOTION MADE by P. Stasiukevicus, Seconded by R. Nottebart that the Finance Committee Members participate in training on the Open Meeting Law by the end of the fiscal year, Motion Passed (15-0-0) (15 voting) Unanimous

Vice-Chairman K. Guyette

K. Guyette spoke to getting involved with e-mails when he became a Representative Town Meeting Member and this was prior to being appointed to the Finance Committee. He apologized for the tone of any the e-mails that he responded to, it was unintentional. He has been on an e-mail chain for years and participants discussed many issues. He offered to step down from his position as Vice-Chairman. He has attended many presentations on the FDK in the Summer and December. Some members spoke to accepting K. Guyette's offer to step down as Vice Chairman, as he is the author of many of the e-mails as he represents the Finance Committee.

MOTION MADE by S. Lawson, Seconded by J. Burke to accept K. Guyette's offer to step down as Vice-Chairman of the Finance Committee, Motion Passed (12-0-3) (E. Barmakian, J. Leith and P. Stasiukevicus abstained) (15 voting)

The election of a Finance Committee Vice-Chairman will be added to the agenda for the April 3, 2017 meeting.

Committee Comments

1. Committee has been appointed to work together as a group, and with participation in e-mails and having private discussions, you are being disloyal to the group. When you accept an appointment to the Finance Committee, you accept the responsibilities that goes with it and agree to conduct business within the group. Group has been manipulated, and discussion has taken place outside the group, and a voting block has been established and decisions have been made. Goal should be to protect the integrity of the Town. Some members spoke to this being an ongoing problem, and shouldn't be solidifying votes prior to hearing a discussion. This is dishonest. Discussion should take place at a meeting allowing all members the opportunity to hear and respond and come to a conclusion. Even a discussion on Facebook is a violation of the OPL. Members spoke to not being able to control someone sending you an e-mail. Discussion items should be aired at open meetings, and any opinions on an e-mail violate good government. You should have an open mind. It is the responsibility of the individual to ask that their name be taken off the list. Chairman will check with Town Counsel on this.
2. Names on the e-mail list, some members didn't know how their name got on it. Some members took exception to the complainants asking that those members participating in the e-mails be removed from the Finance Committee and be barred from serving in a leadership position on the Finance Committee and be required to submit a letter of apology to the Finance Committee and the Town of Walpole and attend training concerning the OPL.

3. These e-mail violations being brought before the Committee are a wakeup call and discussion was necessary. Do not do it in e-mail. Shouldn't have pre-conceived ideas before hearing the presentation.
4. Some member spoke to being embarrassed at the e-mails. Committee members are trying to do the best for the community and the taxpayer. Finance Committee has an important job for the taxpayer and should ask the questions and have an open mind. Learning curve when you come on the Finance Committee.
5. On the Agenda a detailed list of discussion items should be included to avoid any impropriety. Any items listed on the agenda need to be posted 48 hours in advance of a meeting.

Full Day Kindergarten Discussion/E-Mails

Committee is scheduled to discuss and vote on full day kindergarten on Monday, April 3, 2017 as part of the School Budget. Members asked if there was going to be presentation by outside speakers, or will discussion take place just amongst the Committee. This has been discussed previously with the School Committee three or four times. We don't know whether or not there has been any changes in the School Department's numbers. If there is going to be an open discussion, School Committee and Superintendent Lynch should have the opportunity to respond to any questions from the Committee. Chairman spoke to any committee members having questions on FDK to send them directly to Superintendent Lynch, Nancy Gallivan, Chairman of the School Committee. School Committee has copies of the e-mails and these should be included as part of the Finance Committee minutes. This happened and Committee needs to move forward. Most people on the e-mail list have not responded.

Chairman spoke to the Finance Committee has not taken any vote on the issue of FDK, we can have a full and fair discussion on it, and debate respectfully.

MOTION MADE by M. Trudell, Seconded by S. Lawson, that the complaints be part of the Finance Committee Record, Motion Passed (14-0-1) (R. Mariani abstained) (15 voting)

J. Geosits, Citizen, spoke to the e-mails are still going on and still a problem. We are all volunteers and should be shown respect, you might not agree, and all have different views but need to come together and be respectful of each other.

C. Sullivan, Resident, spoke to these e-mails being done behind the scenes and is appalled on how the Town operates. Town needs people that can realistically see both sides and make an educated decision.

Resolution

When a complaint has been received, a posted meeting must be held to discuss and/or resolve such complaint. Committee has to respond to the Attorney General within 14 business days of the date the

complaint is received (March 27, 2017) and deliberations between members must take place at such meeting.

Attorney General's advice is that a Committee not communicate over e-mail at all except for distributing meeting agendas, scheduling meetings and distributing documents for meeting discussion. Most complaints to the Attorney General are resolved by letter determination. Violations may be solved by a full and fair discussion of the matter on the merits at a properly posted open meeting.

Finance Committee will be having a full and fair discussion on Monday, April 3, 2017.

MOTION MADE by T. Bowen, Seconded by P. Hinton that the Finance Committee vote to resolve the issue in all six items as noted in Town Counsel's letter dated March 30, 2017 and Town Counsel to prepare the response to the Attorney General, Motion Passed (14-0-1) (S. Lawson abstained) (15 voting)

MOTION MADE by T. Bowen, Seconded by J. Burke that the Town Counsel prepare the letter to the Attorney General in a timely fashion and Finance Committee Chairman review it, Motion Passed (15-0-0) (15 voting) Unanimous

Finance Committee Chairman will draft a letter in response to the complaint from J. Geosits. Committee members agreed to share Town Counsel's letter.

Adjourn:

MOTION MADE by J. Denneen, Seconded by R. Nottebart to adjourn the meeting at 9:15 p.m., Motion Passed (15-0-0) (15 voting) Unanimous

Respectfully submitted,

Clare P. Abril

Clerk

First Chain ends here

----- Forwarded message -----

From: **David A. Salvatore, Esq.** <davidssalvatore@verizon.net>
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Another way to create a referendum like election is to put a candidate up for school committee who opposes full day kindergarten

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ATTACHMENT A

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In needs to be crafted in such a way to be as generic as possible in order to get BOS support. Something like, "Should the town of Walpole fund free full day kindergarten at an estimated cost of \$750,000 per year?" Vs "Should taxpayer money be used by the Town of Walpole to fund free full day kindergarten?"

You also do not want it to be so generic that it gets overwhelming support. For example... "Should the town of Walpole fund free full day?" On the surface most people would support that and many people don't connect the dots that "the town of Walpole" is them. If you could get something like the first question on the ballot then letters to the editors, comments on facebook, discussions with friends can point out that the question is really the 2nd one.

Thanks,

Ken

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Subject: RE: Walpole Town Election 2017

Keep in mind that it would be a non-binding advisory referendum.

There is no reason why a non-attorney would not be able to draft it

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We need to get a petition printed and get it signed as the window is closing. We would have to get it to the selectman this month all we need is 10 signatures and it needs to be to the board 90 days before the Town Election, any volunteers that are attorneys can you get us going on this?

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could someone tell me why this can/is NOT worthy of a town wide ballot vote??? Is it because it will not win? Seems like it should be on the ballot, what is the procedure for that.

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Note any show of support is welcome. After running some numbers the simple fact is there is no way the town can support Free Full Day Kindergarten without (1) an override or (2) the school department cutting something to make it a priority. In looking at the budget book after the additional revenue from this year to last and the additional expenses and funding all departments at "level services" there is \$1,621, 864 available for "discretionary spending". This is what is typically split 66/34 between the schools and municipal. So a department already consuming 49.5% of the entire pie (i.e. budget) gets 2/3rds of the leftovers as it is.

The schools were looking for a \$1,500,224 increase over last year's budget and Jim has recommended \$1,138,459 and had to shift the split to 70/30 to accomplish it. I was told a little more than \$200k was in the schools request to start funding FFDK (they collect ~ \$750,000 for it now). The chart below shows what they would have received at 66/34, what they are getting at 70/30 and what it would take to give them what they requested.

Split	Schools	Municipal	Comment
66/34	\$1,070,430	\$551,433	
70/30	\$1,138,459	\$483,449	Already shifted to give them \$68k more than he normally would.
92.5/7.5	\$1,500,224	\$121,640	

Since a 92.5/7.5 split would seem to be unreasonable to sustain in the first place what happens next year when they need \$500k to meet 2/3 of the cost and the year after

when they need \$750k to fully fund it. It is not possible. They have simply run out of other people's money to spend on optional programs. The schools are also backed into a corner on this because if they can fund it for less than \$750,000 then it demonstrates they have been soaking parents for years and using the FDK money as another slush fund.

Thanks,

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Everyone mark your calendars for 2/27 - we need to do exactly what we did at the BOS meeting re: proposed change in trash pickup. It worked then, it will work now. If we speak up at the 2/27 meeting, it will give the FINCOMM food for thought when FDK is discussed by them on 3/6.

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Sent: Tuesday, February 7, 2017 7:35 AM
Subject: RE: Walpole Town Election 2017

FYI...the following was posted on the Walpole for Full Day Kindergarten facebook page.

"FDK is going to the town Finance Committee, and your help is needed! We need as many parents as possible to attend two upcoming Finance Committee meetings that will impact FDK: Feb. 27 (discussing overall school budget) and March 6 (discussing FDK). Both will take place at 7 pm in Room 112 at Town Hall. It's important that FDK have a strong presence with our local officials, so please attend one or even both meetings if you are able. It's also a great opportunity to see the FDK presentation that was shared with the School Committee if you weren't able to attend the meeting when it was presented in December. Facebook event invites for each of these meetings also will be going out, so you can easily add them to your calendars."

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Not sure where this is going to go because I am not sure yet if FDK is included in the school budget. Doesn't appear that it would be based on the fact that the increase in the budget is pretty consistent with prior years. If it is we will debate it and I do not think they will like the answer. In an era where we hear incessantly about unfunded mandates I cannot support unmandated funding unless they can demonstrate a clear benefit here in Walpole. It would be incredibly irresponsible to use taxpayer funds on an "optional" program that by law the town does not even need to offer. Bottom line 'IF' we can find an extra \$750,000 in the budget I can name probably a half a dozen things I would do with it before even considering FDK including a reduction in the tax levy of ½ percent (~ \$345,000). If we put the question to the taxpayer of FDK vs a reduction in the tax levy I believe it would not even be close.

If FDK isn't in the budget then we (the finance committee) are the wrong place for the discussion. It is up to the school committee to add it or not and then for us to debate it.

Irregardless having some folks come out for these meetings on the other side of this issue would be helpful.

Thanks.

Ken

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Sent: Monday, February 06, 2017 8:56 PM

To: mrtombrown

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Subject: Re: Walpole Town Election 2017

Ann is 100 percent right. If they do Free FDK we will never be able to take it away. Period. Also, I believe I mentioned before that the state will be voting on whether to make free preschool mandated. You know it will pass, and we won't be fully funded, so that will cost an awful lot of additional money as well. Therefore at the very least three full day can you go and should be put on hold until the state legislative all goes through a mandated free pre-kindergarten.

And as far as all the statistics they can pull out of the hat, the point is, the same, that no child who goes to full day kindergarten is going to end up being better off when they're 18 or 58 than they are if they only went to half-day kindergarten, I don't care who they are or where they live

Sent from my iPhone

On Feb 6, 2017, at 7:38 PM, mrtombrown <mrtombrown@comcast.net> wrote:

Seems like its always an increase in walpole. Crazy.

Sent from my Sprint Samsung Galaxy S7.

----- Original message -----

From: Ann Ragosta <ann.ragosta@yahoo.com>

Date: 2/6/17 6:22 PM (GMT-05:00)

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Subject: Re: Walpole Town Election 2017

How can we tow the line at increased spending if all the school department wants to do is spend more? The town cannot implement FDK because once it's done, it can never be undone and we will never be able to put a moratorium on the max annual levy. The school department needs to be held accountable for it's spending, we cannot continue this % split model. It jsut doesn't make sense to me.

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Sent: Monday, February 6, 2017 10:40 AM
Subject: Re: Walpole Town Election 2017

Thanks Ken.

So does this change anything with respect to FDK?

Does it appear the SD is funding it from the overall increase in revenue?

On Mon, Feb 6, 2017 at 8:17 AM, Guyette, Kenneth E (US - Boston)

<kguyette@deloitte.com> wrote:

I wanted to send out a correction on some of the info below now that I have had a chance to spend some time on the budget book. In looking at the budget statement again and reviewing some of the detail I missed one key statement. In the budget message Johnson states "I have moved the split for this year only to 70/30. This means that the school department will receive 70% of all of the available revenue once the fixed costs are finalized. The way he shows this in the book is...

the change in revenue between FY17 and FY18 (Revenue (including tax levy), state charges and assessments, Offsets). The difference is +\$2,980,168

the increase in non-discretionary costs (assessments and benefits, debt, tri-county, Norfolk Aggie, Solid Waste). The difference is +1,358,304.

This leaves the town with a difference of \$1,621,864 available for discretionary spending. It is this total that will be split 70/30 giving \$1,138,459 to the schools which is the difference in the school budget from this year to last. If it were to stay at 66/34 the amount to the schools would be \$1,070,430 leaving a gap of \$68,000.

This is not quite as dramatic as all revenue being split 70/30. This does not mean there are not some questions to be asked like is it a good idea to cover a budget gap with this shift vs finding \$68,000 to cut? What happens if the money is not there next year? Are we just kicking the can

down the road to eventual cuts. Also if we have over a million dollars available for "discretionary" spending could we use our discretion to take \$312,000 of that in the form of a reduction in the tax levy to 2%.

Thanks,

Ken

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Sent: Friday, February 03, 2017 8:29 AM

To: 'Sam Obar'; Ann Ragosta

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Subject: RE: Walpole Town Election 2017

On the 70/30 split he claims it will be for this year only but I assume the same argument as made when it went to the 66/34 split. I find it ironic that he followed up that statement by praising the school department for working to increase state aid. If that were working why would they need an additional 4 % in local aid?

I just got the budget book last night and have not started reviewing it but I will be curious to see how to "level fund" all departments when you shift 4% from the municipal side to the school side.

In terms of his histrionics over the call for reducing the tax levy hat was suggested was ½ of a percent. Note this is not a tax deduction but a reduction in the tax increase. This would reduce the tax levy of \$69,134,455 by \$345,672. If you look at just the proposed budget and capital requests as sewer and water are funded separately that is the equivalent of removing 38 cents from every 100 dollars we spend. If we have a budget office that cannot do that then it is high time we find people who can. We bend over backwards to give the unions, department heads, and Siemens whatever they want. It is high time we start looking at ways to give the taxpayers a break. Applauding themselves for NOT hitting them with an override for the facilities is not a break as they seem to keep arguing. Rant over...

Ken

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Sent: Thursday, February 02, 2017 8:26 PM

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Town Administrator Jim Johnson delivered his annual budget message this evening.

The text of it is available here: <http://www.walpole-ma.gov/sites/walpolema/files/file/file/1217budgetmessage.pdf>

Here are some highlights:

- Total municipal operating spending for the next fiscal year will be \$86.2 million. This is on top of capital spending which will be \$5.3 million, water budget will be \$6.6 million and sewer budget will be \$5.5 million, totaling more than \$100 million.
- The Town Administrator does not approve of the Finance Committee members who suggested the tax levy should be increased by less than the 2.5 percent maximum allowed by law. Mr. Johnson feels it would "not only set the town back years, but would surely have a negative impact on the property values of the homes and businesses in Walpole."
- The town will increase its dispatchers from 7 to 10 because the new police station will require it. The reasoning is unclear, and needs to be further explored.
- The fire department will gain two firefighters. The Building Commissioner's department will see the reduction of two

- part-timers replaced by a full-time Inspector. No other personnel will be added anywhere in the budget.
- The traditional 66/34 school department budget split will now be 70/30. This is a remarkable shift and represents a watershed year in Walpole budgeting. Never before has the school department taken up that large a percentage of town revenue, after years of being able to maintain only 66%. Clearly something is wrong and the school department needs to hold the line. There has been no effort to introduce a zero-based budget for the school department or any other department; 70% of all revenue will now be automatically handed over to the schools with no questions asked. This is simply wrong!
 - The town will be requesting money for a new Vehicle Maintenance facility in the coming years.

On Tue, Jan 31, 2017 at 10:20 PM, Ann Ragosta <ann.ragosta@yahoo.com> wrote:
Great meeting. Thanks!

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Sent: Monday, January 30, 2017 8:18 AM
Subject: Re: Selectmen candidates - Walpole Town Election 2017

So far we are expecting a good group tomorrow night, please let John L. or myself know if you are planning to attend tomorrow night.

A major topic of discussion will be the Selectmen race.

On Fri, Jan 20, 2017 at 8:46 PM, Sam Obar <samuel.obar@gmail.com> wrote:

Confidential, do not forward

Hello All:

As you all know, nomination papers for town offices are available February 1, which marks the beginning of town election season in Walpole. This will culminate in the town election on June 3.

We have a lot of work to do between now and then to get more fiscal conservatives elected to the Board of Selectmen, School Committee, Sewer and Water Commission, Representative Town Meeting, and other town boards.

I hope you will join us for a get-together on Tuesday, January 31, 2017 at 7 p.m. at the home of John Leith, 80 Union Street, East Walpole, MA. No parking on street, please either park in driveway, or at the old East Walpole Library or on other nearby streets.

This is a confidential meeting.

RSVPs to either myself or John L. would be much appreciated so that John L. can properly plan. If we have a large crowd, we may move the meeting to another location.

Either way, hope to see you on January 31.

Sincerely,

Sam O.

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From: **mike t** <miketeeley@comcast.net>
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Good genes win out over poor teaching every time.

From: Jeff BPDguns [<mailto:jeff@bpdguns.com>]
Sent: Friday, February 17, 2017 9:14 AM

Subject: RE: Walpole Town Election 2017

When my oldest was in Kindergarten at OPR (around '88 or '89) we were told we had to hold him back if we pushed him on the 1st he would never do well (never amount to much). We now he is a Lawyer having tied for Valadictorian [sp] at New England School of Law. Of course some people might consider a lawyer as...

From: Guyette, Kenneth E (US - Boston) [<mailto:kguyette@deloitte.com>]
Sent: Friday, February 17, 2017 9:08 AM

When we have the fin comm meeting on the schools I am going to ask more about the merging of the full and half day classes. That seems to make no sense. Are they now going to teach the morning session as if it were the half day class (i.e. each subject compressed) and do another round of compressed learning in the afternoon for full day kids. Speaking from experience one of the reasons we put our son in full day AND PAID FOR IT is that at that age he struggled with

transition. Allowing more time on each subject all together was easier for him. Are they now saying they are just teaching essentially two half day classes every day??

I am also not clear if this only happens if they get their bump to pay for 1/3 of kindergarten, which is not in the TA's recommendation nor I suspect would be in ours.

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From: mrtombrown [mailto:mrtombrown@comcast.net]
Sent: Thursday, February 16, 2017 8:27 PM

How about this , 100% of the town citizens are concerned about there bottom line , enough of the giveaways , taxes, rates and fees are just getting out of hand. Especially as we see payroll and benefits skyrocketing. Really! give us a break .

----- Original message -----

From: Sam Obar <samuel.obar@gmail.com>
Date: 2/16/17 9:15 PM (GMT-05:00)

The School Superintendent's budget message is located online here: <http://www.walpole.k12.ma.us/UserFiles/Servers/Server/3008510/File/Mary%20Mortali%20document%20folder/Budget/FY18/REV%201%20FY%2018%20Budqe%20Message%20with%20charts.pdf>

From the School Superintendent:

"We have been concerned about half-day Kindergarten for a few years because although about 85% of the families tend to pay for their child to attend the full-day classes, the majority of those who do not cite the price as prohibitive."

The budget proposal reduces the cost of full-day tuition and merges all half-day and full-day kindergarten students into the same classes.

There are many charts and graphs in the document.

On Sun, Feb 12, 2017 at 2:00 PM, VALERIE KHOURI <vskhour1@msn.com> wrote:

Hey Vic,

I think u misunderstood, lol. I am not getting on the ballot, but thank you for your kind words.

I was referring to getting Free FDK on the ballot

From: Victor Scena <victor@powerprod.com>

Sent: Sunday, February 12, 2017 8:10 AM

Valerie, Thank you for running. You are a sure winner. We will have a great ticket this year, change is on the way.

Vic

-----Original Message-----

From: VALERIE KHOURI [<mailto:vskhour1@msn.com>]

Sent: Saturday, February 11, 2017 2:01 PM

Good point Ken. I will get it on the ballot, otherwise it's going to go through like everything else they want to push, which is why they do not want it on the ballot

Sent from my iPhone

> On Feb 10, 2017, at 11:02 AM, David A. Salvatore, Esq.

<davidsalvatore@verizon.net> wrote:

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> Another way to create a referendum like election is to put a candidate

> up for school committee who opposes full day kindergarten

>

> David A. Salvatore, Esq.

> 508-498-0899

>> On Feb 10, 2017 10:39 AM, "Guyette, Kenneth E (US - Boston)"

<kguyette@deloitte.com> wrote:

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>> In needs to be crafted in such a way to be as generic as possible in order to get BOS support. Something like, "Should the town of Walpole fund free full day kindergarten at an estimated cost of \$750,000 per year?" Vs "Should taxpayer money be used by the Town of Walpole to fund free full day kindergarten?"

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>> You also do not want it to be so generic that it gets overwhelming support. For example... "Should the town of Walpole fund free full day?" On the surface most people would support that and many people don't connect the dots that "the town of Walpole" is them.

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>> If you could get something like the first question on the ballot then letters to the editors, comments on facebook, discussions with friends can point out that the question is really the 2nd one.

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>> Thanks,

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>> Ken

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>> From: John A. Leith [<mailto:jleith@taylorqanson.com>]

>> Sent: Friday, February 10, 2017 9:58 AM

>> Subject: RE: Walpole Town Election 2017

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>> Keep in mind that it would be a non-binding advisory referendum.

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>> There is no reason why a non-attorney would not be able to draft it

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Second Chain starts here and reads backwards

Third Chain ends here

----- Forwarded message -----

From: **mike t** <miketeelev@comcast.net>

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Subject: RE: Walpole Town Election 2017

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HERE IS THE DATA THEY REPORT TO THE STATE FOR MCAS DATA ON COSTS/PUPIL IT IS FROM 2014 AND 2015

ITEM	2014		2015		INC	% INC
	\$		\$			
ADMIN	1,281,099.00		1,268,302.00		-12,797.00	-1.00
LEADERSHIP	3,757,691.00		3,826,421.00		68,730.00	1.83
CLASSROOM	20,405,565.00		21,607,041.00		1,201,476.00	5.89
OTHER	4,908,124.00		4,955,284.00		47,160.00	0.96
SUBTOTAL	30,352,479.00		31,657,048.00		1,304,569.00	4.30
PROF DEV	579,452.00		524,566.00		-54,886.00	-9.47
INSURANCE/PENSION	7,246,251.00		7,595,338.00		349,087.00	4.82
	38,196,182.00		39,776,952.00		1,580,770.00	4.14

NOTE THE INCREASE IN PENSION/INSURANCE COSTS AND THAT IS ONLY GOING TO GET WORSE.

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I am not sure we will ever be able to get the total cost number because the benefits are rolled into the municipal numbers. As you saw last night it was like pulling teeth to get them to admit that their actual budget is \$48,000,000+ with all of the reimbursements, grants, and offsets and not the \$42,998,000 being reported in the Times. That number being reported is just what they are asking for in local appropriation. They show a little over \$35 million for salaries but they do not indicate how much of the reimbursements, grants, and offsets were applied to that to bring that number down. That is why I was trying to press them to show us the actual \$48,000,000 budget. The detail they provided only showed the break out for the \$42,998,000.

Thanks,

Ken

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Ken,

Those of you who poked at his presentation did a really nice job. It is rather pathetic that he had such poor understanding of his own numbers. It would put him and his team on notice if someone brought out the quality of the education provided by the current education team.

Will there be visibility of the total costs for the school district with all benefits rolled into the number? I would expect the total costs with all costs included takes their share way past the 70% level.

We are paying Cadillac prices for substandard education. The State score card for the school district has them missing their improvement targets for the student's proficiency on targets for 2011 to 2017. Compared to the rest of the state on measures of student growth we are below the average of the state on English language arts and mathematics

All this data is available on the state website for MCAS at this link

http://profiles.doe.mass.edu/mcas/achievement_level.aspx?linkid=32&orgtypecode=5&orgcode=0307000&fycode=2016

mike

To

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Subject: RE: Walpole Town Election 2017

Thanks to those of you who showed up last night to the Fin Comm meeting. I could not see who was all there because our backs were to the crowd. It was also recorded so if you missed it you can catch it online. If you were there I think what you saw was a shell shocked superintendent and school committee chair not expecting to face tough questions. It went the two full hours and there is plenty more to cover. The next meeting will be Monday night where we will see the presentation from the Full Day Kindergarten supporters.

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Note any show of support is welcome. After running some numbers the simple fact is there is no way the town can support Free Full Day Kindergarten without (1) an override or (2) the school department cutting something to make it a priority. In looking at the budget book after the additional revenue from this year to last and the additional expenses and funding all departments at "level services" there is \$1,621, 864 available for "discretionary spending". This is what is typically split 66/34 between the schools and municipal. So a department already consuming 49.5% of the entire pie (i.e. budget) gets 2/3rds of the leftovers as it is.

The schools were looking for a \$1,500,224 increase over last year's budget and Jim has recommended \$1,138,459 and had to shift the split to 70/30 to accomplish it. I was told a little more than \$200k was in the schools request to start funding FFDK (they collect ~ \$750,000 for it now). The chart below shows what they would have received at 66/34, what they are getting at 70/30 and what it would take to give them what they requested.

Split	Schools	Municipal	Comment
66/34	\$1,070,430	\$551,433	
70/30	\$1,138,459	\$483,449	Already shifted to give them \$68k more than he normally would.
92.5/7.5	\$1,500,224	\$121,640	

Since a 92.5/7.5 split would seem to be unreasonable to sustain in the first place what happens next year when they need \$500k to meet 2/3 of the cost and the year after when they need \$750k to fully fund it. It is not possible. They have simply run out of other people's money to spend on optional programs. The schools are also backed into a corner on this because if they can fund it for less than \$750,000 then it demonstrates they have been soaking parents for years and using the FDK money as another slush fund.

Thanks,

Ken

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Yeah can't tell from the reply but when you raise the tax levy by the max 2.5% every year and then spend it all you cannot get any more blood from that stone unless you can get an override on the ballot. I suspect they would not be real happy with the result even if they did get it on the ballot.

"Hey Joe Taxpayer, despite your average tax bill rising 36.2% in the last 7 years we were wondering if you would like to spend another \$750k to fund a completely optional program".

The fact that the standards for kindergarten have risen over the years is irrelevant to whether the town should foot the bill or not. It is still not a mandated program.

Aging myself here and I am not trying to dumb it down but when I as a kid you "graduated" kindergarten if you could tie your shoes and not eat the paste and it was all half day. There was a reason for that. Kindergarten was essentially a "school apprenticeship". You learned how to transition away from

mom and dad, make friends, social skills, etc. No reason to be teaching kindergartners calculus. How many fewer kids would we have with anxiety issues if we scaled back the pace a bit.

Ken

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Sent: Wednesday, February 22, 2017 4:32 PM

To: VALERIE KHOURI; mike t

Cc: Ann Ragosta; mrtombrown; John Vaillancourt; Sam Obar; Frank Moy Jr; Richard Zaccaro; Joan Hurwitz; John Hasenjaeger; Tim Hempton DDS; g hodges; John A. Leith; lisabastianelli@yahoo.com; Sally Sauer; Jeff Padell; 8; Tom Mello; Chris Poulin; Ronald Mariani; Bernie and Lori Dullea; Robert; John O'Leary; Sean Ford; Dave Luongo; Mike and Deborah Duffy; David; John Robinson; David Salvatore; Eddie J; Clow Clan; Harry Clow Jr; Paul Staz; Thomas Bowen; TinaDoug McKay; Christine Coury; Donna Donnellan; Eric Skogseth; forever.fit@verizon.net; wlestan1@verizon.net; Cyndi Gardiner; Dave Blau; Francis Daly; n1kmm@arrl.net; Al Tedesco; Robert Damish; Steve Sullivan; Richard Pilla; lgarrity@hotmail.com; Dave C.; Ann Corkery; Bob Walsh; Nick Metcalf; Victor Scena; fred balduf; David Reavill; Charlie Hayes; Ed Barmakian; ericamarqedlis@yahoo.com

Subject: RE: Walpole Town Election 2017

Check out the latest post on "walpole for full day kindergarten" on facebook. They clearly do not understand the budgeting process and I have commented to try and straighten them out a bit. It is disingenuous for the paper to indicate that FFDK has been included in the school's budget without further explanation. While technically it is true that Lynch asked for it that really doesn't matter. He could have asked for \$15 million vs \$1.5 million more this year and it would mean the same thing. If the money is not there, it is not there.

<https://www.facebook.com/search/top/?q=walpole%20for%20full%20day%20kindergarten>

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Sent: Wednesday, February 22, 2017 4:21 PM

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balduf; David Reavill; Charlie Hayes; Ed Barmakian; ericamargedlis@yahoo.com;
Subject: Re: Walpole Town Election 2017

That's why people r going to be fed up and move out especially those who wish to downsize anyways or to upgrade.
R tax rates don't even have the superstation in it yet not to mention the new school vote coming soon.

And they are clearly not using the money to do over the sidewalks and streets

Sent from my iPhone

On Feb 22, 2017, at 11:51 AM, mike t <miketeelev@comcast.net> wrote:

Ken et al

I took a look at tax rates and we have the highest rates of all the contiguous towns except Sharon

Residential rank			
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From: Guyette, Kenneth E (US - Boston) [<mailto:kguyette@deloitte.com>]
Sent: Thursday, February 09, 2017 8:37 AM
To: Ann Ragosta <ann.ragosta@yahoo.com>; VALERIE KHOURI <vskhouri1@msn.com>; mrtombrown <mrtombrown@comcast.net>
Cc: John Vaillancourt <jvaillancourt52@gmail.com>; Sam Obar <samuel.obar@gmail.com>; Frank Moy Jr <fmoyjr@gmail.com>; Richard Zaccaro <richardzaccaro@yahoo.com>; Joan Hurwitz <ericjoan@verizon.net>; John Hasenjaeger <jthasen@gmail.com>; Tim Hempton DDS <timothyhempton@gmail.com>; g hodges <Ghodges207@aol.com>; John A. Leith <jleith@taylorganson.com>; <lisabastianelli@yahoo.com> <lisabastianelli@yahoo.com>; Sally Sauer <sallysauer@sauerconstructionlaw.com>; Jeff Padell <jeff@bpdguns.com>; 8 <gvs8@yahoo.com>; Tom Mello <tmmello@comcast.net>; Chris Poulin <chris@poulin.org>; Ronald Mariani <remariani.1@gmail.com>; Bernie and Lori Dullea <BlDullea@verizon.net>; Robert <rdennisoleary@hotmail.com>; John O'Leary <jmichaeloleary@hotmail.com>; Sean Ford <seanford.geo@yahoo.com>; Dave Luongo <D.Luongo@baystateenvelope.com>; Mike and Deborah Duffy <duffy668@comcast.net>; David <davidlsalvatore@verizon.net>; John Robinson <ifrtwo@gmail.com>; David Salvatore <davidlsalvatore@verizon.net>; MD Teeley

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Subject: RE: Walpole Town Election 2017

Note any show of support is welcome. After running some numbers the simple fact is there is no way the town can support Free Full Day Kindergarten without (1) an override or (2) the school department cutting something to make it a priority. In looking at the budget book after the additional revenue from this year to last and the additional expenses and funding all departments at "level services" there is \$1,621, 864 available for "discretionary spending". This is what is typically split 66/34 between the schools and municipal. So a department already consuming 49.5% of the entire pie (i.e. budget) gets 2/3rds of the leftovers as it is.

The schools were looking for a \$1,500,224 increase over last year's budget and Jim has recommended \$1,138,459 and had to shift the split to 70/30 to accomplish it. I was told a little more than \$200k was in the schools request to start funding FFDK (they collect ~ \$750,000 for it now). The chart below shows what they would have received at 66/34, what they are getting at 70/30 and what it would take to give them what they requested.

Split	Schools	Municipal	Comment
66/34	\$1,070,430	\$551,433	
70/30	\$1,138,459	\$483,449	Already shifted to give them \$68k more than he normally would.
92.5/7.5	\$1,500,224	\$121,640	

Since a 92.5/7.5 split would seem to be unreasonable to sustain in the first place what happens next year when they need \$500k to meet 2/3 of the cost and the year after when they need \$750k to fully fund it. It is not possible. They have simply run out of other people's money to spend on optional programs. The schools are also backed into a corner on this because if they can fund it for less than \$750,000 then it demonstrates they have been soaking parents for years and using the FDK money as another slush fund.

Thanks,

Ken

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Sent: Wednesday, February 08, 2017 9:20 PM
To: Guyette, Kenneth E (US - Boston); VALERIE KHOURI; mrtombrown
Cc: John Vaillancourt; Sam Obar; Frank Moy Jr; Richard Zaccaro; Joan Hurwitz; John Hasenjaeger; Tim Hempton DDS; g hodges; John A. Leith; <lisabastianelli@yahoo.com>; Sally Sauer; Jeff Padell; 8; Tom Mello; Chris Poulin; Ronald Mariani; Bernie and Lori Dullea; Robert; John O'Leary; Sean Ford; Dave Luongo; Mike and Deborah Duffy; David; John Robinson; David Salvatore; MD Teeley; Eddie J; Clow Clan; Harry Clow Jr; Paul Staz; Thomas Bowen; TinaDoug McKay; Christine Coury; Donna Donnellan; Eric Skogseth; <forever.fit@verizon.net>; wlestan1@verizon.net; Cyndi Gardiner; Dave Blau; Francis Daly; n1kmm@arri.net; Al Tedesco; Robert Damish; Steve Sullivan; Richard Pilla; lgarrity@hotmail.com; Dave C.; Ann Corkery; Bob Walsh; Nick Metcalf; Victor Scena; fred balduf; David Reavill; Charlie Hayes; Harry Broussides; Ed Barmakian; ericamarqedlis@yahoo.com; Tom Brady
Subject: Re: Walpole Town Election 2017

Everyone mark your calendars for 2/27 - we need to do exactly what we did at the BOS meeting re: proposed change in trash pickup. It worked then, it will work now. If we speak up at the 2/27 meeting, it will give the FINCOMM food for thought when FDK is discussed by them on 3/6.

----- Forwarded message -----

From: mike t <miketeeley@comcast.net>
Date: Fri, Feb 17, 2017 at 9:46 AM

Good genes win out over poor teaching every time.

From: Jeff BPDguns [<mailto:jeff@bpdguns.com>]
Sent: Friday, February 17, 2017 9:14 AM

Subject: RE: Walpole Town Election 2017

When my oldest was in Kindergarten at OPR (around '88 or '89) we were told we had to hold him back if we pushed him on the 1st he would never do well (never amount to much). We now he is a Lawyer having tied for Valadictorian [sp] at New England School of Law. Of course some people might consider a lawyer as...

From: Guyette, Kenneth E (US - Boston) [<mailto:kguyette@deloitte.com>]
Sent: Friday, February 17, 2017 9:08 AM

When we have the fin comm meeting on the schools I am going to ask more about the merging of the full and half day classes. That seems to make no sense. Are they now going to teach the morning session as if it were the half day class (i.e. each subject compressed) and do another

round of compressed learning in the afternoon for full day kids. Speaking from experience one of the reasons we put our son in full day AND PAID FOR IT is that at that age he struggled with transition. Allowing more time on each subject all together was easier for him. Are they now saying they are just teaching essentially two half day classes every day??

I am also not clear if this only happens if they get their bump to pay for 1/3 of kindergarten, which is not in the TA's recommendation nor I suspect would be in ours.

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From: mrtombrown [mailto:mrtombrown@comcast.net]
Sent: Thursday, February 16, 2017 8:27 PM

How about this , 100% of the town citizens are concerned about there bottom line , enough of the giveaways , taxes, rates and fees are just getting out of hand. Especially as we see payroll and benefits skyrocketing. Really! give us a break .

----- Original message -----

From: Sam Obar <samuel.obar@gmail.com>
Date: 2/16/17 9:15 PM (GMT-05:00)

The School Superintendent's budget message is located online here: <http://www.walpole.k12.ma.us/UserFiles/Servers/Server/3008510/File/Mary%20Mortali%20document%20folder/Budget/FY18/REV%201%20FY%2018%20Budget%20Message%20with%20charts.pdf>

From the School Superintendent:

"We have been concerned about half-day Kindergarten for a few years because although about 85% of the families tend to pay for their child to attend the full-day classes, the majority of those who do not cite the price as prohibitive."

The budget proposal reduces the cost of full-day tuition and merges all half-day and full-day kindergarten students into the same classes.

There are many charts and graphs in the document.

On Sun, Feb 12, 2017 at 2:00 PM, VALERIE KHOURI <vskhouri1@msn.com> wrote:

Hey Vic,

I think u misunderstood, lol. I am not getting on the ballot, but thank you for your kind words.

I was referring to getting Free FDK on the ballot

From: Victor Scena <victor@powerprod.com>

Sent: Sunday, February 12, 2017 8:10 AM

Valerie, Thank you for running. You are a sure winner. We will have a great ticket this year, change is on the way.

Vic

-----Original Message-----

From: VALERIE KHOURI [<mailto:vskhouri1@msn.com>]

Sent: Saturday, February 11, 2017 2:01 PM

Good point Ken. I will get it on the ballot, otherwise it's going to go through like everything else they want to push, which is why they do not want it on the ballot

Sent from my iPhone

> On Feb 10, 2017, at 11:02 AM, David A. Salvatore, Esq.
<davidsalvatore@verizon.net> wrote:

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> Another way to create a referendum like election is to put a candidate
> up for school committee who opposes full day kindergarten

>

> David A. Salvatore, Esq.
> 508-498-0899

>> On Feb 10, 2017 10:39 AM, "Guyette, Kenneth E (US - Boston)"
<kguyette@deloitte.com> wrote:

>>

>> In needs to be crafted in such a way to be as generic as possible in
order to get BOS support. Something like, "Should the town of Walpole fund
free full day kindergarten at an estimated cost of \$750,000 per year?" Vs
"Should taxpayer money be used by the Town of Walpole to fund free full day
kindergarten?"

>>

>> You also do not want it to be so generic that it gets overwhelming
support. For example... "Should the town of Walpole fund free full day?"
On the surface most people would support that and many people don't connect
the dots that "the town of Walpole" is them.

>>

>> If you could get something like the first question on the ballot then
letters to the editors, comments on facebook, discussions with friends can
point out that the question is really the 2nd one.

>>

>> Thanks,

>>

>> Ken

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>> From: John A. Leith [<mailto:ileith@taylorqanson.com>]

>> Sent: Friday, February 10, 2017 9:58 AM

>> Subject: RE: Walpole Town Election 2017

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>> Keep in mind that it would be a non-binding advisory referendum.

>>

>> There is no reason why a non-attorney would not be able to draft it

>>

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Susan Lawson

From: Susan Lawson <lawsue51@verizon.net>
Sent: Wednesday, October 05, 2016 12:14 PM
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Cc: 'Thomas Brady'; 'Jodi Cuneo'; 'Marilyn Thompson'; 'John Carmichael'; 'Christopher M. Mackenzie'; 'Kerri McManama'; 'Patrick Shield'; 'Joseph M. Zanghetti'; 'Clare Abril'
Subject: RE: October 6th Fin Com Meeting

Note to all: we are prohibited from debating issues via e-mail..... just so it's clear why Dan objects to doing so.
Susan Lawson

From: Guyette, Kenneth E (US - Boston) [<mailto:kguyette@deloitte.com>]
Sent: Wednesday, October 05, 2016 11:34 AM
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Cc: Thomas Brady; Jodi Cuneo; Marilyn Thompson; John Carmichael; Christopher M. Mackenzie; Kerri McManama; Patrick Shield; Joseph M. Zanghetti; Clare Abril
Subject: RE: October 6th Fin Com Meeting

I have more comments than questions, per se, primarily on the Senior Center and I know Dan doesn't like to debate these in email.

Thanks,

Ken

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From: Jim Johnson [mailto:jjohnson@walpole-ma.gov]

Sent: Wednesday, October 05, 2016 10:51 AM

To: dfb2737@comcast.net; Guyette, Kenneth E (US - Boston); edb@fbsalesinc.com; ahealy67@gmail.com; pathinton54@gmail.com; JburkeR@aol.com; jbleith@aol.com; John Vaillancourt; Joseph Denneen; lawsue51@verizon.net; Paul Stasiukevicius; rnottebart@gmail.com; Ron Mariani; T.J.Bowen@ATT.net; markscout@verizon.net

Cc: Thomas Brady; Jodi Cuneo; Marilyn Thompson; John Carmichael; Christopher M. Mackenzie; Kerri McManama; Patrick Shield; Joseph M. Zanghetti; Clare Abril

Subject: October 6th Fin Com Meeting

Hello All,

Here is some backup info for Thursday night. It was nice to see so many of you at the presentation last night. While I was presenting last night I noticed that some of you were taking notes. I have reached out to some of you to ask if you had any specific comments or questions regarding the presentation and I wanted to extend this offer to all of you. Please let me know if you have any questions. Getting to this point has been a long process. The PBC and the BOS have done an excellent job vetting these buildings and the budgets associated with each building during public meetings and both Boards have voted unanimously to support all three buildings.

Please call or email me with questions.

Thanks,

Jim Johnson

Town Administrator

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When writing or responding, please remember that the Secretary of State's Office has determined that email is a public record.

Susan Lawson

From: Alice Lawson <lawsue51@verizon.net>
Sent: Wednesday, March 01, 2017 12:29 PM
To: Susan Lawson
Subject: Fwd: Full Day Kindergarten questions for Monday

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Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: Alice Lawson <lawsue51@verizon.net>
Date: March 1, 2017 at 10:06:49 AM EST
To: "Guyette, Kenneth E (US - Boston)" <kguyette@deloitte.com>
Cc: "Lynch, Lincoln" <llynch@walpole.k12.ma.us>, "Gallivann@aol.com" <Gallivann@aol.com>, "Johnson, Jim (jjohnson@walpole-ma.gov)" <jjohnson@walpole-ma.gov>, "dfb2737@comcast.net" <dfb2737@comcast.net>, Clare Abril <cabril@walpole-ma.gov>, "edb@fbsalesinc.com" <edb@fbsalesinc.com>, "ahealy67@gmail.com" <ahealy67@gmail.com>, "pathinton54@gmail.com" <pathinton54@gmail.com>, "JburkeR@aol.com" <JburkeR@aol.com>, "jbleith@aol.com" <jbleith@aol.com>, John Vaillancourt <jvaillancourt52@gmail.com>, Joseph Denneen <JD.1@verizon.net>, Paul Stasiukevicius <pstaz@soundscapes4u.com>, "rnottebart@gmail.com" <rnottebart@gmail.com>, Ron Mariani <remariani.1@gmail.com>, "T.J.Bowen@ATT.net" <T.J.Bowen@ATT.net>, "markscout@verizon.net" <markscout@verizon.net>
Subject: Re: Full Day Kindergarten questions for Monday

Ken,

What does the warning at the end of this e-mail message mean? Everything the Finance Committee does--whether in a meeting or via e-mail--is public information. Thus, I could copy this message and hand it out on a street corner, so I am perplexed by the admonition at the end of your message. This is language typically included by lawyers when they communicate via e-mail. Can you please let us know why you added language that attempts to make this communication "confidential" when, by law, it cannot be confidential? In fact, just the opposite is true.

Moreover, we do not "avoid debating topics in e-mail," we are prohibited from doing so by law. The purpose of the Open Meeting law is to ensure that ALL deliberations by public bodies are open to the public (unless the body has gone into Executive Session). Members of the Finance Committee who engage in deliberations of our business outside of our public meetings--whether in person or by e-mail--are subject to investigation and sanction by the Office of the Attorney General.

Everyone should read the literature about the Open Meeting law that was distributed at our last meeting in order to ensure that their conduct is within the bounds of the law. If there are questions, we can have Town Counsel address them. I hope this sheds some light on this very important subject.

Susan

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 1, 2017, at 8:56 AM, Guyette, Kenneth E (US - Boston) <kguyette@deloitte.com> wrote:

Lincoln/Nancy,

I know we will be discussing Full Day Kindergarten more on Monday night so I wanted to send you some questions ahead of time. I do not need the answers before Monday as we try to avoid debating topics in email but wanted to give you some time to get the answers.

In looking at the following link online it shows current year enrollment and other statistics....

[http://profiles.doe.mass.edu/profiles/student.aspx?orgcode=03070000&orgtypecode=5
&](http://profiles.doe.mass.edu/profiles/student.aspx?orgcode=03070000&orgtypecode=5&)

<image003.jpg>

Based on the numbers highlighted in Green which add up to the 279 enrollment in the first column it appears that we have 225 kids (80.6%) enrolled in Full Day Kindergarten this year (2nd highlighted column).

- Doing some quick math $225 * 3800 = \$855,000$. You show \$711,000 budgeted for FY17 so where does the other \$144,000 end up if we receive more in tuition than is budgeted?
- What enrollment increase do we anticipate of kids in FDK with the reduction in tuition?
- In this year's budget request you again show \$711,000 (\$237,000 town appropriation, \$474,000 in tuition). Doing some quick math $\$711,000 / 3800 = 187$ students. Why are we budgeting for fewer students this year than currently enrolled in FDK?
- The enrollment projection sheet shows 272 students. As discussed the other night it is just a projection but based on the budget projection it seems we are either expecting fewer overall students (if a higher percentage enroll in FDK) or a smaller percentage enrolling in FDK. Shouldn't the budget and enrollment projections be based on the same baseline numbers?
- What is the difference between Tuitioned (212) and Full-time (13)?
- For purposes of this reporting what is the definition of Economically Disadvantaged?

Thanks,

Ken

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TO: Members of Finance Committee
FROM: A. Susan Lawson, Member of Finance Committee
SUBJECT: Potential Violation of Open Meeting Law
DATE: March 2, 2017

1. Attached is a document that came to my attention this morning as I prepared for our meeting this evening. (When I gathered my notes and papers last Monday, I must have inadvertently scooped this document up along with my own.) The purpose of my communication to you does not concern the substantive point of view of the author of this document, whoever that may be; rather, it is about the fact that this document presents a potential violation of the law governing "Open Meetings" in Massachusetts. It is also about the tone of the communication.
2. First, while it is unclear who the author of the document is, it is clear that the author and those being communicated with were "discussing" and "deliberating over" issues scheduled to come before the Finance Committee on Monday, February 27, 2017. Even worse, it appears that those included in this and other communications (apparently carried out by e-mail)¹ were attempting to establish a group position in advance of our meeting. As I explained in an e-mail to this Committee only yesterday, members of public bodies in this state are prohibited from having such discussions and deliberations outside of the official meeting, for which a date, time, and agenda have been announced and published.
3. Second, it is shocking that members of the Finance Committee would essentially formulate a group position, or any position, in advance of hearing the presentation on the matter before it. This evidences a disregard for the public process that cannot be countenanced. Every presenter deserves to be heard before opinions are formed and a voting bloc established.
4. Finally, the tone of this communication is unacceptable to me as a member of this Committee, as a Representative to Town Meeting, and as a resident of the Town of Walpole. No individual or group that comes before the Finance Committee should be the object of scorn or derision. No individual or group that comes before the Finance Committee should be characterized as dishonest or manipulative. I do not here express any opinion on the budget presented by the School Department. However, to imply that the School Department—or any other group that comes before us—is, essentially,

¹ The document makes reference to "another thread," which is a commonly used description used to characterize "conversations" accomplished via e-mail.

ATTACHMENT D

“trying to pull a fast one” is disrespectful. I refer to the following accusation in the attached document: “I think the school department is using the FFDK issue as a smokescreen to avoid discussion on the rest of the budget.” In the seven years I have served as a member of the Finance Committee, I have never known the School Department or the School Committee to avoid discussion on any aspect of its budget. On the contrary, the School Department and School Committee have responded to every question posed and produced every document this body has requested.

- 5. This episode reflects poorly on the Finance Committee as it is currently constituted. I note that this is not the first instance in which members of this Committee have discussed issues and decided, as a bloc, how they are going to vote prior to one of our meetings. During the Fall, I saw an e-mail that was directed to certain members of the Finance Committee which contained a “vote count” in connection with the Senior Center, a matter that came before the Finance Committee for a vote prior to being presented to Town Meeting. The e-mail discussed whether the group would be able to get a particular member of the Finance Committee to vote with them against the Senior Center.**
- 6. While I am not filing a complaint with the Office of the Attorney General at this time, I will say that, if this continues, I will not hesitate to request an investigation. Moreover, I would ask each member of this Committee to consider whether he/she can continue to serve the Town in this role if he/she is unable or unwilling to give each presenter a fair hearing. If a member of the Finance Committee cannot be neutral and fair-minded, then the decisions of this group will, necessarily, be flawed.**
- 7. The essence of good government is that those who govern are willing to be fair and open-minded. If decisions are made before the evidence is even heard, then we are not doing our job properly. Debate and discussion are essential, but that should occur when all are present to hear and participate in that process. No one expects that we’ll agree on all the issues, but that is hardly the point. Our responsibility is to review the information we are given and to come to meetings prepared to listen, learn, discuss, debate, and vote based on our individual opinions. Those opinions should be informed by input from the presenters as well as from our fellow members and this cannot happen when a sub-group essentially conducts its own meetings in advance.**
- 8. We must do better.**

**cc: Town Administrator
Town Moderator**

Couple of thoughts on the school budget/FFDK. I could see them packing the room with these FFDK folks and this turning into a debate on the merits of FFDK. That is not what our meeting needs to be about. We do not want to turn it into a discussion of "why should we pay for your kid". Let town meeting go there. For us it simply comes down to finances. At the end of the day the money is not there. Some have seen this on another thread, some may have not. Lots of numbers below but I tried to be as clear as possible.

The schools were looking for a \$1,500,224 increase over last year's budget and Jim has recommended \$1,138,459 and had to shift the split to 70/30 to accomplish it. About \$237,000 was in the schools request to start funding FFDK. The chart below shows what they would have received at 66/34, what they are getting at 70/30 and what it would take to give them what they requested.

Split	Schools	Municipal	Comment
66/34	\$1,070,430	\$551,433	
70/30	\$1,138,459	\$483,449	Already shifted to give them \$68k more than he normally would.
92.5/7.5	\$1,500,224	\$121,640	

There are 56 main line items in the overall budget. The schools already consume 49.5% (50.4 if you include the aggie and tri-county) of the entire budget while the other 54 split the remaining 50.5%. In addition they traditionally get 66% of the "new revenue" pie despite consuming 49.5% of the budget. This year they are already going to get 70% of that. We simply cannot provide the schools 92.5% of all new revenue this year because that means you are taking \$360,000 more out of the municipal side and something there would need to be cut. Jim has indicated that these numbers stay roughly the same year over year so if next year they need \$237,000 more (to cover 2/3) it would not be there.

In terms of the number of kids who use it. In the first paragraph of the school committee proposed budget they indicate 85% of the families tend to pay for their kids to attend FDK but if you look at their own projections on the FY18 comprehensive budget excel sheet it shows \$237,000 from local appropriation and \$474,000 from offsets (\$2600 per kid from parents). Local appropriation at \$1200 per kid would be 197.5 kids (237000/1200) in FDK. Offsets at \$2600 per kid from parents would be 182.3 kids (474000/2600) in FDK. Either one of these is not near 85% of kids in FDK if you look at the projected enrollment sheet. $197.5/272$ (projected K enrollment) = 72.6%. $182.3/272 = 67\%$.

Bottom line....

- I think the school department is using the FFDK issue as a smokescreen to avoid discussion on the rest of the budget
- We, in good faith, cannot appropriate the money they are asking for
- We need to spin it back to the school department as a priority question. If this is truly a priority for them there are some options...

- o Appeal to the state for more funding
- o Go to the selectmen for an override. I would support this because I think it would get absolutely crushed.
- o Prioritize it in the school budget. They are getting \$1,138,000 more this year. Just the town portion of their budget is \$43,408,773. \$237,000 represents 1/2 of 1% that they would need to shift to cover this.