

**MINUTES OF BUDGET HEARING IN LIEU OF
ANNUAL SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING
TUESDAY, MAY 1, 2012**

The Budget Hearing in lieu of the Annual School District Meeting was held in the high school library, Holland Patent, New York on Tuesday, May 1, 2012. The meeting was called to order by Stanley Harris, Permanent Chairperson, at 5:57 p.m.

BOARD OF EDUCATION MEMBERS PRESENT

Anne McGahey, President
Karen Evans, Vice President
Traci Boris
Everett Stalker
Richard Allen

Others Present: Kathleen M. Davis, Superintendent of Schools, Nancy Nowicki, Assistant Superintendent; Louis J. D'Ambro, Assistant Superintendent; John Egresits, High School Principal; Kevin Healy, High School Dean of Students; Jennifer McDonald, Holland Patent Elementary, Allen Hyde, Holland Patent Elementary Principal; Kristin Casab, GWF Elementary Principal; Cheryl Venettozzi, PPS Director/CSE Chairperson; and Chris Roberts, Supervisor of Transportation. Dennis Geer, Superintendent of Buildings & Grounds arrived at 6:01 p.m.

Mr. Harris asked for a motion to dispense with the reading of the Notice of Budget Hearing in Lieu of the Annual Meeting/Annual Election and Budget Vote and Clerk's Proof of Publication, indicating they were available for anyone wishing to see them.

Mrs. Donna Grems made the motion, seconded by Ms. Kathleen McGahey, and unanimously carried, to dispense with the reading of the Notice of Budget Hearing in Lieu of the Annual Meeting/Annual Election and Budget Vote and Clerk's Proof of Publication.

Mr. Harris asked for a motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the last Budget Hearing held on Tuesday, May 3, 2011, indicating they were available for anyone wishing to see them.

Mrs. Donna Grems made the motion, seconded by Ms. Kathleen McGahey, and unanimously carried to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the last Budget Hearing held on Tuesday, May 3, 2011.

Mr. Harris noted that Everett Stalker is running unopposed for the position of Board of Education member.

Mrs. Anne McGahey dispensed with introducing the members of the Board of Education since only staff members were present. Mrs. Anne McGahey thanked Mr. Harris for taking time out to help us tonight. Mrs. Anne McGahey turned the meeting over to Mr. Harris.

Mr. Harris turned the meeting over to Kathleen M. Davis, Superintendent of Schools.

Mrs. Davis provided a short overview of the budget. Mrs. Davis noted the tax levy is at 1.9% which is below the maximum tax cap. Our budget has decreased by (1.79%). All programs are in place for children. Reductions have been through attrition and

enrollment declines. Mrs. Davis asked if everyone received the three-part budget included in the newsletter.

Mrs. Donna Grems and Ms. Kathleen McGahey did not receive the newsletter at their homes. Mrs. Grems had read a newsletter at the district office.

Mrs. Davis opened up for a question and answer period.

There were no questions.

Mrs. Ann Edwards and Mr. Ron Haier arrived at 6:00 p.m.

Mrs. Davis asked if they had any questions. Neither had questions. Mr. Haier stated that he supports passing the budget.

Mrs. Anne McGahey noted that the meeting would stay open for five minutes in case anyone else arrived. There were no other attendees.

Mrs. Davis thanked everyone for coming

Mrs. Davis turned the meeting back over to Mr. Harris.

Mr. Harris asked if there was any new business to bring before the board.

Since there were no further questions or new business to be discussed, Mr. Harris asked for a motion to recess the meeting. Mrs. Donna Grems made a motion to recess the meeting, seconded by Ms. Kathleen McGahey and unanimously carried.

Mr. Harris announced that the Budget Vote would take place at the High School Gymnasium on May 15, 2012 between the hours of 7 a.m. and 8 p.m. The budget, 2 propositions and election of one board member are on the ballot.

Meeting was recessed at approximately 6:05 p.m.

Marie E. Perry
District Clerk