



**TOWN OF PITTSFIELD  
BUDGET COMMITTEE  
TOWN HALL, 85 MAIN STREET  
PITTSFIELD, NH 03263**

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## **MEETING MINUTES OF Wednesday, November 9, 2022**

### **CALL TO ORDER**

Call to order at 6:00 PM by Katie Bocash, Chair

### **MEMBERS PRESENT (9)**

Katie Bocash, Chair  
Jeremy Everson, Secretary  
Carol Richardson, Select Board Rep.  
Sandra Adams, School Board Rep.  
John Christakos  
Fred Hast  
Ammy Ramsey  
David Stasiak  
Brooke Weldon

### **MEMBERS ABSENT (4)**

Dan Greene  
Tracy Huyck  
Larry Konopka  
Helen Schiff

### **GUESTS PRESENT**

None

### **DOCUMENTS DISTRIBUTED:**

- *Pittsfield School District Summary Pages*
- *Pittsfield School District 2023-2024 Proposed Budget*
- *Pittsfield School District 2023-2024 Default Budget*
- *Pittsfield School District Estimated Revenue for 2023-2024*
- *Pittsfield School District 2023-2024 Salaries Breakdown*

## Agenda Item 1: Overview of Schools Budget Documents

### **Documents Referenced:**

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**Discussion:** K. Bocash led an overview and discussion of the documents given by the schools. S. Adams added input for items currently on the table with the School Board.

- Estimated revenues for the schools reflect an increase of \$77,416 over the 2022-2023 school year budget.
- The proposed budget includes an increase of \$213,990 which is an increase of 2.11% over the 2022-2023 school year budget.
- Lines 59-61, the new replacement program for furniture in the school allows for planned purchases of new items on a yearly basis.
- Line 221, the 6<sup>th</sup> Grade trip to UNH is new to the budget this year.
- Lines 425 and 427, the Reading Specialist serves the whole district so the position shows up in SAU Admin Services, rather than a specific school's budget line.
- Budget Committee members should look over the Default Budget and develop questions for future meetings.

### **Questions to Ask B. Lane:**

- Can we get a copy of the Proposed Budget with department totals? So we can see the big picture numbers for each department in the budget?
- Lines 57-58, Esser Grants items now in budget? What's included in this budget request?
- Lines 47-49, How did we get these numbers? 140 per student...
- Line 166, What's going on with the Drake Field Summer Program? What happened last year?
- Lines 168-185, What happened to the Social Worker Services?
- Lines 189-190, Is the Vice Principal (Brown) also working as a Guidance Counselor?
- Line 268, Do we not have Psych Services anymore?
- Line 372, New Summer Technology Position?
- Lines 405-407, What's included in these line items?
- Line 445, Did the Asst. Principal position come from grant monies?
- Lines 448-450, These positions moved to/from where?
- Lines 527-531, How are the utility rates/prices being budgeted?
- Lines 540-541, What is covered under the grounds maintenance at Drake Field?

**Next Meeting**

Next meeting will be on Wednesday, November 16, 2022, starting at 6:00 PM. We will focus on the School Budget again and B. Lane will be with us. After Thanksgiving we will begin focusing on the Town Budget.

Meeting adjourned at 7:42 PM.

Submitted by: Jeremy Everson, Secretary

Approved:

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Katie Bocash, Chair

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Date

